

12 August 2024

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Taxpayers' Union
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Dear [REDACTED],

Official Information request and response

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act ("OIA") dated **7th August 2024**.

You have requested information regarding training and certification expenses for the "Courageous Conversations" program by Parliamentary services. Specifically:

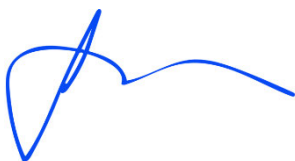
1. *The number of employees who have received certification or training from Courageous Conversations for the following financial years:*
 - FY 2023/24
 - FY 2022/23
 - FY 2021/22
2. *The total expenditure on certification and training from "Courageous Conversations" for each of the aforementioned financial years, broken down by employee.*

Te Ara Ahunga Ora Retirement Commission's expenditure on the "Courageous Conversations" program by Parliamentary services in FY2021/22, FY2022/23 or FY2023/24 is \$0. Zero employees have received certification or undertaken this program.

You have the right to refer this response to the Ombudsman if you are dissatisfied with it. More information on how to do this is [here](#). Te Ara Ahunga Ora proactively releases information in accordance with the Government's commitment to the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan. This includes publishing responses to requests for information under the OIA. Please note that this response (with your name removed) will be published on the Te Ara Ahunga Ora website shortly and will remain on our website for 12 months.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

Yours sincerely



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