

Approval of Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service and Medical Practitioner to Provide Substitution Treatment Under Section 24 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975

Acting under delegated authority from the Minister of Health, I, John Crawshaw:

1. revoke the approval of the Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service and medical practitioner issued pursuant to section 24(7)(a), (b) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 on 27 September 2016 (as published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 6 October 2016, Issue No. 89, Notice No. 2016-go5598](#)); and
2. specify the Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service as a service that may provide treatment with controlled drugs for people who are dependent on controlled drugs, pursuant to section 24(7)(b) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975, at the following place:
Departmental Building
31 Chapel Street
Masterton 5810; and
3. pursuant to section 24(7)(a) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975, specify Dr Richard Graham McGrath, as a medical practitioner, who may:
 - a. prescribe, administer and supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence, as the lead clinician for Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service;
 - b. authorise in writing service/clinic medical practitioners as specified under section 24(2)(b) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 to:
 1. prescribe, administer or supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence;
 2. authorise in writing general practitioners receiving clients from Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service as specified under section 24(2)(d) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975; and
 - c. authorise in writing general practitioners receiving clients from Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service as specified under section 24(2)(d) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975.

Conditions

1. Controlled drugs may only be prescribed, administered or supplied to people who are or have been clients of Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service.
2. This approval expires on **31 December 2020**.

Dated at Wellington this 14th day of December 2017.

DR JOHN CRAWSHAW, Director of Mental Health, Director of Addiction Services, Ministry of Health.