

Approval of a Lead Clinician to Provide Opioid Substitution Treatment Under Section 24 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975

Acting under delegated authority from the Minister of Health, I, Dr 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 14 December 2017 (as published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 21 December 2017, Notice No. 2017-go6787](#)); 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 that Dr Graeme Judson, as a medical practitioner, may:
 - a. prescribe, administer or supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence as the lead clinician for the Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service;
 - b. authorise in writing service/clinic medical practitioners as specified under subsection 24(2)(b) to:
 - i. prescribe, administer or supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence;
 - ii. authorise in writing general practitioners receiving clients from the 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 the 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 the Pathways Wairarapa Opiate Substitution Service.
2. This approval expires on **18 August 2020**.

Dated at Wellington this 18th day of February 2020.

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