

Approval of a Lead Clinician to Provide Opioid Substitution Treatment Under Section 24A 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 Bay of Plenty Addiction Service and medical practitioner issued pursuant to section 24A(7)(a), (b) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 made on 27 June 2023 (as published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 28 June 2023, Notice No. 2023-go2825](#)); and
2. Specify Bay of Plenty Addiction Service as a service that may provide treatment with controlled drugs for people who are dependent on controlled drugs, pursuant to section 24A(7)(b) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975, at the following places:

Katikati Medical Centre

4 Clive Road,
Katikati 3129; and

Te Puke Community Health Centre

Commerce Lane,
Te Puke 3119; and

Hillier Centre

31 Gloucester Road,
Mount Maunganui 3116; and

Kawerau Community Centre

56 Onslow Street,
Kawerau 3127; and

Bay of Plenty Addiction Service

Tauranga Hospital,
Cameron Road,
Tauranga 3112; and

Whakatane Community Mental Health and Addiction Service

52 Commerce Street,
Whakatane 3120.

3. Pursuant to section 24A(7)(a) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975, specify that Dr Branka Mijatovic, as a medical practitioner, may:
 - a. prescribe, administer or supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence as the lead clinician for Bay of Plenty Addiction Service;
 - b. authorise in writing service/clinic medical practitioners as specified under subsection 24A(2)(b) to:
 - i. prescribe, administer or supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence;
 - ii. authorise in writing general practitioners receiving clients from Bay of Plenty Addiction Service as specified under section 24A(2)(b) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975; and
 - c. authorise in writing general practitioners receiving clients from Bay of Plenty Addiction Service as specified under section 24A(2)(b) 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 Bay of Plenty Addiction Service.
2. This approval expires on 30 October 2024.

Dated at Wellington this 30th day of April 2024.

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