

Approval of Southland Drug and Alcohol Specialist Service and Clinician 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 Southland Drug and Alcohol Specialist Service and medical practitioner issued pursuant to section 24(7) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 on 28 February 2017 (as published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 9 March 2017, Issue No. 25, Notice No. 2017-go999](#));
2. specify the Southland Drug and Alcohol Specialist 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 places:
 - Central Lakes Community Mental Health**
19 Douglas Street
Frankton
Queenstown
 - Gore Community Mental Health**
6 Irwell Street
Gore 9710
 - Southland Hospital**
Kew Road
Invercargill 9812; and
3. pursuant to section 24(7)(a) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975, specify Dr Karl Hopf Schimdt, as a medical practitioner, who may:
 - a. prescribe, administer or supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence, as the lead clinician for Southland Drug and Alcohol Specialist Service;
 - b. authorise in writing service/clinic medical practitioners as specified under subsection (2)(b) to:
 - i. prescribe, administer or supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence;
 - ii. to authorise in writing general practitioners receiving clients from Southland Drug and Alcohol Specialist Service as specified under subsection (2)(d); and
 - c. authorise in writing general practitioners receiving clients from Southland Drug and Alcohol Specialist Service as specified under subsection (2)(d).

Conditions

1. Controlled drugs may only be prescribed, administered or supplied to people who are or have been clients of Southland Drug and Alcohol Specialist Service.
2. This approval expires on **31 March 2018**.

Dated at Wellington this 14th day of December 2017.

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