

Approval of Lakes Opioid Treatment 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 Lakes Opioid Treatment Service and medical practitioner issued pursuant to section 24(7)(a), (b) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975 on 2 March 2017 (as published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 9 March 2017, Issue No. 25, Notice No. 2017-go1061](#)); and
2. specify the Lakes Opioid Treatment 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:
 - Ruia Te Hua Oranga**
38 Kotare Street
Taupo 3330
 - Te Ngako Community Mental Health Services**
1144 Pukaki Street
Rotorua 3010; and
3. pursuant to section 24(7)(a) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975, acting under delegated authority from the Minister of Health, I specify Dr Cathal Cassidy, as a medical practitioner, who may:
 - a. prescribe, administer and supply controlled drugs for the treatment of dependence, as the lead clinician for Lakes Opioid Treatment 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 Lakes Opioid Treatment 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 Lakes Opioid Treatment 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 Lakes Opioid Treatment Service.
2. This approval expires on **1 July 2018**.

Dated at Wellington this 14th day of December 2017.

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