

Substance Addiction (Health Professional Designation) Notice 2017

Pursuant to section 96(1) of the Substance Addiction (Compulsory Assessment and Treatment) Act 2017, and being satisfied of the matters set out in that provision, the Minister of Health gives the following notice.

Notice

1. Title

This notice is the Substance Addiction (Health Professional Designation) Notice 2017.

2. Commencement

This notice comes into force on the day after the date on which it is published in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

3. Designation of body corporate for the purposes of definition of health professional

Addiction Practitioners' Association Aotearoa-New Zealand Incorporated is designated for the purposes of paragraph (d) of the definition of health professional in section 4 of the Substance Addiction (Compulsory Assessment and Treatment) Act.

Dated at Wellington this 11th day of December 2017.

HON DR DAVID CLARK, Minister of Health.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This notice, which comes into force on the day after the date on which it is published in the *New Zealand Gazette*, designates Addiction Practitioners' Association Aotearoa-New Zealand (known as dapaanz) under section 96(1) of the Substance Addiction (Compulsory Treatment and Assessment) Act 2017 ("Act").

The effect of this designation is that a practitioner who is registered by dapaanz on account of the practitioner's expertise in treating persons suffering from severe substance addiction will fall within paragraph (d) of the definition of health professional in section 4 of the Act. A health professional is eligible to be designated as an approved specialist under the Act, and eligible to be designated as an authorised officer under the Act. A health professional may also be permitted or required to accompany a district inspector on a visit to a treatment centre and to give advice to a district inspector.