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20 Sep 2012

Re:

Street

Auckland
DOB.
Your ref: C12HDC

Dear Ms Boyd,

I refer to your letter of 18 September regarding my treatment of Mr at Health Centre.

I saw Mr as per the attached report which fully details my contact with him for an Invalids Benefit Assessment for Work and Income New Zealand.

As I did not provide medical treatment to Mr I am of the understanding that all complaints of this nature are more correctly addressed to the Medical Appeals Board.

I attach a letter dated 16 August 2010 from your department which outlines such policy previously.

I will be on leave in Australia from today until my return to work on Monday 9th October.

Yours sincerely,

NZMC:
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am copying this letter also to
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WINZ - Designated Doctor Report

30 Jun 2010

Re:
Mr

Auckland
DOE
NHI:
Ethnicity: European not defined
Ph: Mobile:
Client No:

17 Jun 2010

IB Review.

GP Dr Bay

Receives IB now - past two years, SB two years before this.

Last consistent work 2003. Seven years on benefit. Some years in on unemployment..

Prev work

Problems: Alcohol binge drinking . Occas relapses lasting 3-4 days. Attends regularly - prev weekly, now every two weeks..

Letters from verifying this sighted.

Lives alone.

Says would rather work - when under stress risk of alcohol relapse.

Feels that too much to deal with now.

BP 120/70. overweight. cvs, rs, abdo nad.

Impression: 50yrs, minimal work past 7yrs. Seems little motivatuon to work.

30 Jun 2010

HDR - disorder , anger issues, episodic depression and alcohol misuse. Report from psychiatrist - DR
J E:

Recommended disulfiram or naltrexone for his alhol abuse - this does not seem to have been tried. It was noted that he had no signs of self neglect, good rapport, well presented, mood appropriate and no thought disorder.

Impression: A 50yr man who has hardly worked since 40yrs age. He is a binge drinker, has some personality issues and seems to lack any motivation to work. There are suggested treatments that do not seem to have been tried. He presents well.

Recommendation: He is not elligible for Invalids Benefit. He can certainly work at least 20hrs per week and every effort should be made to get him off benefits and into work. SB to continue meantime.

Yours sincerely,

Dr D NZMC:
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