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To: [kristen.douglas@parliament.govt.nz](mailto:kristen.douglas@parliament.govt.nz)  
CC: [Rachel Kelly](#)  
Subject: MO REPLY - Support for young mother and her tamariki (Methamphetamine Contamination)

Sent: 5/07/2016 11:39:46 AM



Good morning

On 24 March 2016, Housing New Zealand conducted tests for methamphetamine contamination at s9(2)(a) tenancy after being notified that a youth aid worker who visited the property had witnessed s9(2)(a) smoking methamphetamine.

Methamphetamine was detected in 4 rooms with one room (a bedroom) being above the Ministry of Health guideline level.

On 12 April 2016, a letter was sent by Andrew Cairns, Area Manager, to s9(2)(a) asking her to vacate the home due to chemical contamination. Child, Youth and Family was also notified as there were two children in the house aged three and six years old.

On 18 April 2016, a 90 day notice was issued to s9(2)(a) terminating her tenancy and giving her a final date of 1 August 2016 to move out.

On 31 May 2016, s9(2)(a) was notified of her suspension from Housing New Zealand property. This letter also advised s9(2)(a) of her options which included calling the Ministry of Social Development, requesting a wavier of the suspension, and requesting a review of the suspension decision.

Housing New Zealand also verbally confirmed with s9(2)(a) that she could request a review of the decision and she indicated that she would be getting a drug test to confirm she does not use Methamphetamine.

Housing New Zealand has not received any notification from s9(2)(a) asking for a review.

Housing New Zealand was not able to arrange for a representative to attend the proposed family group conference due to the short notice period provided. However Andrew will contact s9(2)(a) representative, s9(2)(a) to discuss her case.

Kind regards

**Tim Berry**

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s9(2)(a)

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**From:** Kristen Douglas [<mailto:Kristen.Douglas@parliament.govt.nz>]

**Sent:** Monday, 4 July 2016 8:21 a.m.

**To:** GRU Jobs

**Subject:** FW: Support for this young mum and her tamariki

Good Morning,

One for direct contact please.

Can we also have some information on this one please.

Kind regards  
Kristen

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**From:** Kristen Douglas  
**Sent:** Monday, 4 July 2016 8:21 a.m.  
**To:** s9(2)(a)  
**Subject:** RE: Support for this young mum and her tamariki

Dear s9(2)(a)

On behalf of Hon Paula Bennett, Minister for Social Housing, thank you for your below email regarding s9(2)(a) and her housing situation.

The Minister was concerned to hear about s9(2)(a) situation and asked me to pass your email on to Housing New Zealand to look into and reply to s9(2) directly.

Housing New Zealand is a Crown Entity and therefore required by law to maintain its operational independence from the Minister. As this is an operational issue it is best addressed directly by Housing New Zealand.

Yours sincerely  
Kristen

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**From:** s9(2)(a)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 28 June 2016 1:07 p.m.  
**To:** P Bennett (MIN)  
**Subject:** Support for this young mum and her tamariki

Kia ora Paula,

I am representing s9(2)(a)  
s9(2)(a) received a HNZ home for her and her two tamariki earlier this year.  
Within 2 months of being in the house, HNZ tested the house for 'Methamphetamine'. Results returned positive, showing a high record of methamphetamine.

HNZ have accused s9(2)(a) of the methamphetamine and s9(2) received notice to vacate the property in August.

HNZ has informed s9(2) that she will now have a black mark against her name.

Today s9(2) informed me that HNZ will review the case, however, s9(2) will not be able to apply for a HNZ home for 12 months.

A notification was made to CYF and s9(2)(a) children were removed from s9(2)(a) care.

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Also, if s9(2) does not receive any support from HNZ, s9(2) will become homeless. s9(2) and her children were living in a motel before moving into a HNZ home, the motel was paid by WINZ, and now s9(2)(a) has a debt with Winz.

Thank you for reading my email, and I wait for your reply.

s9(2)(a)

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