# **Crown Entities and the Good Employer**

### Annual Report Review 2007 to 2014

The Human Rights Commission reviews and analyses the reporting of good employer obligations by Crown entities in their annual reports. It also monitors their progress towards equal employment opportunities (EEO) and provides good employer guidance. The Commission's annual good employer review gives Crown entities an indicator report showing their reporting progress. The Commission's "Crown Entities and the Good Employer" web application allows Crown entities to track their progress across years and compare themselves to others of the same size, type and the sector as a whole.



## Guardians of New Zealand Superannuation

**Type** Autonomous Crown Entity **Size** Small-Medium (26 - 100 staff)



Guardians of New Zealand Superannuation has completely met its obligation to report its 'good employer' and EEO programme in its annual report. Those Crown entities that report the best, list each of the 'Seven Good Employer Elements' and provide details of their initiatives written against these. The Commission also recommends that Crown entities provide a full workplace profile as part of their 'good employer' reporting. Guardians of New Zealand Superannuation is to be commended for the comprehensive nature of its 'good employer' reporting.



The Crown Entities Act requires an organisation to be a good employer, to have an equal employment opportunities policy and associated programme and to report these in the annual report.





#### Average compliance of

Same type	100%	Same size	<b>95%</b>	All entities	93%

Referencing EEO in reporting demonstrates good employer practice. EEO means eliminating barriers to ensure that all employees have equal access to the employment of their choice and have the chance to perform and progress to their maximum potential. Successful EEO outcomes result in fair representation of all groups throughout an organisation or sector.



There are seven key elements that organisations need to concentrate on as they move towards being a 'good employer'. These elements are derived from fundamental good human resource practices. Crown entities continue to mostly report well their initiatives under each of the 'good employer' elements.

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component of any effective EEO programme. Without it, EEO outcomes are unlikely to be fully realised and progress cannot be accurately measured. The Commission urges Crown entities to prioritise the establishment and ongoing monitoring of a profile of their workforces.



## Ongoing review/renewal of programmes/policies

Average compliance of							
Same type	100%	Same size	95%	All entities	87%		

Workplaces are dynamic. Reviewing and refreshing programmes and policies ensures organisations stay relevant to changing demographics and workforce trends.



# Staff participation in EEO programmes development

## Average compliance of

Same type	94%	Same size	90%	All entities	88%

Engaging staff in the assessment of the organisations EEO practices and addressing issues that may arise contributes to ensuring that relevant areas are addressed and the effective changes made. Crown entities should indicate in their annual reports how staff participate in the development, implementation and assessment of EEO policies whether through individual engagement, union representation or other.



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