

COVID-19 Business Advisory Fund information for Service Providers

- The Government has allocated an additional \$25 million to support businesses through the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The funding is to specifically enable businesses to access expert advice and support.
- Business owners can access up to \$5000 excl. GST per business:
- The funding can be used to access a range of services depending on individual business needs with a range of providers
- The funding is 100%, no co-funding is required.
- Regional Business Partner (RBP) Growth Advisors will work with businesses to assess priority needs and provide access to funding for registered services.
- Register here: www.regionalbusinesspartners.co.nz

Service Provider Eligibility

- Must be able to provide expert advice and support in one or more of the following subject areas:
 - Employee Relations and Legal
 - Financial and cashflow management
 - Health and Wellness
 - Business Continuity Support
 - Marketing support
 - Digital enablement services.
- Must hold Professional indemnity insurance of \$1 million minimum value.

To register a service under this funding, you must;

- Register as a Service Provider at www.regionalbusinesspartners.co.nz
- Create a service on the website, your service descriptions must include,
 - description of the expertise you can support to businesses in
 - an hourly rate exclusive of GST or;
 - A set fee for the services exclusive of GST and time commitment for customer
 - Have selected Covid-19 from the list of subject categories.

Services that can be funded include:

- Provision of Advice, training and support to address needs of business in the following areas
 - Digital enablement services
 - Marketing support
 - Business Continuity Support
 - Employee Relations and Legal
 - Financial and cashflow management
 - Health and Wellness

Services that cannot be funded include;

- Memberships fees
- Subscription based services.
- Conferences and seminars.