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Via email: ruth.hill@rnz.co.nz

Dear Ruth

Official Information Act Request – Transgender patients presenting to endocrine services

On 4 October 2018 under Section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following from Whanganui District Health Board:

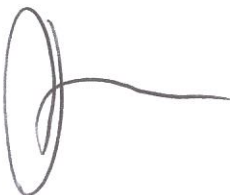
1. How many people were referred to the DHB for gender reassignment hormone therapy each year since 2006 until the present time?
2. How many were treated within the DHB and how many were referred to another DHB? If so, where?
3. What was the breakdown of ages in each of those years (youngest/ oldest/ median age)?
4. How many were transitioning male to female and how many female to male in each of those years?

Whanganui District Health Board's response to all four questions as above is:

The Whanganui District Health Board does not provide tertiary level services. All patients seeking advice regarding gender transition would be supported through their local general practice to be referred to tertiary specialist and hospital services.

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our acting OIA co-ordinator Michelle Tattersall at michelle.tattersall@wdhb.co.nz

Yours sincerely



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Chief Executive Officer