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Via email: Karen.Brown@rnz.co.nz

Dear Karen

Official Information Act Request – Cost of paying senior doctors for cover during RDA strikes in 2019

On 8 May 2019 under Section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

Please provide details about the cost to the district health board of paying senior doctors to provide cover during all of the five strikes by members of the Resident Doctors Association so far this year. The dates are Jan 15-16; Jan 29-30; Feb 12-13; Feb 26-27; April 29-May 3.

Whanganui District Health Board's response:

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SMO Costs All Strikes	
Strike 1 - 15 - 17 Jan 2019	\$ 8,000.00
Strike 2 - 29 - 30 Jan 2019	0
Strike 3 - 12 - 14 Feb 2019	\$ 3,250.00
Strike 4 - 26 - 28 Feb 2019	0
Strike 5 - 29 April to 4 May 2019	\$ 6,850.00

Should you have any further queries, please contact, contact our acting OIA co-ordinator Maree Langford at Maree.Langford@wdhb.co.nz.

Yours sincerely

Russell Simpson
Chief Executive