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WHANGANUI
DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD
Te Poari Hauora o Whanganui

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Dear Bridie

Official Information Act Request – OIA 13155 Number of GP referrals declined

On 29 September 2020, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

Under the OIA, may I please find out how many GP referrals to hospital specialists have been declined. Can I get this information broken down by specialisation and by month, starting September 2018?

Whanganui District Health Boards response:

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Specialty Code	Specialty Desc	2018-09	2018-10	2018-11	2018-12	2019-01	2019-02	2019-03	2019-04	2019-05	2019-06	2019-07	2019-08	2019-09	2019-10	2019-11	2019-12	2020-01	2020-02	2020-03	2020-04	2020-05	2020-06	2020-07	2020-08	2020-09	Grand Total	
M00	General Medicine	57	65	62	67	51	74	49	40	54	48	37	45	24	23	19	12	12	8	4	9	4	10	10	9	5	798	
M10	Cardiology			1				1				1															4	
M15	Dermatology	2	4	5	2	8	7	6	3	2	7	5	3	3	5	5		2	4	3			3	7	8	4	1	99
M30	Haematology			1			5	1	1				1				6	3	9	5	9	7	4	6	12	6	2	78
M50	Medical Oncology					1	1	1	1	1	1												1	1	2		1	11
M55	Paediatric	18	37	25	29	14	31	27	19	24	9	31	29	19	32	39	21	29	8	8	2	13	28	26	23		541	
M60	Renal Medicine				5	3	5	4			1								1								19	
M70	Rheumatology	9	6	10	2	8	9	8	4	2	3	2	3	1	1	3	4							7	4	8	102	
M90	RadiationOncology				1																						1	
S00	General Surgery	38	44	48	28	35	45	44	40	35	40	66	40	30	36	48	41	39	38	37	6	29	32	49	31	7	926	
S05	Pain Management		3	5	2	1	4	2	3	3		3	2	3	3	3	3	1	2	1	3			7	3	5	2	61
S10	Endoscopy		1	1	5		2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	2	3		1	2			2				29	
S20	Dental	11	14	16	21	17	17	18	10	26	7	11	11	5	17	22	9	14	12	13	2	14	9	16	15		327	
S25	Ear Nose Throat	3	11	2	5	7	2	7	12	3	7	4	11	10	3	5	6	13	15	19	5	4	3	6	1		164	
S30	Gynaecology	4	4	3	6	2	3	1	4	5	4	4	7	5	2	4	6	5	2	2	3	4	7	10	7	5	109	
S40	Ophthalmology	9	16	20	27	23	7	14	8	17	14	27	8	9	5	10	16	17	2	7			2	2	5	8	1	274
S45	Orthopaedics	42	79	67	65	61	47	62	50	73	58	81	58	53	45	53	42	61	71	45	13	25	38	45	54	27	1315	
S59	Paed Spec Surgery		2	1										1										1	2		7	
S60	Plastic Surgery					1	1	1		1	2						1		2					1		1	12	
S70	Urology																	1	1	1							3	
Grand Total		193	286	267	265	232	260	247	196	247	202	270	219	163	176	220	166	204	172	159	50	103	159	198	174	52	4880	

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz

Yours sincerely

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