Corporate Services



11 February 2022



Dear

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2022002

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 14 January 2022 where you requested information from Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB). Your questions and HBDHB's response is provided below:

- how many people had a cancer misdiagnosis in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021?
- how many people had a delayed diagnosis of cancer in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021?

On 21 January 2022 TAS advised DHBs that they rescoped your request after consultation with you to:

 if DHBs could provide numbers of complaints related to cancer misdiagnoses, or delayed diagnoses (delayed by a year).

Hawke's Bay DHB received one complaint in 2019 and one complaint in 2020 related to cancer misdiagnoses or delayed diagnoses.

I trust this information meets your needs. If you would like any further information or clarification please phone me. If you are not satisfied with this response you may contact the Office of the Ombudsman, phone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Hawke's Bay DHB website after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

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