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Annemaree grace

By email: fyi-request-10573-55c50b36@requests.fyi.org.nz
Ref: H201906184

Dear Annemaree grace

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request on 24 July 2019 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for:

"I would like to correct my request. I am asking what side effects are possible due to surgery to resect a tumour located on the fourth ventricle. The patient being a healthy adult aged 60."

Your request for this information is refused under section 18(g) of the Act, as it is not held by the Ministry of Health. It is highly advised that you seek the opinion of a certified medical professional regarding this.

The organisations below also have resources that may be useful to you:

- The Cancer Society New Zealand website has a section on their website regarding brain tumours: https://www.cancervic.org.au/cancer-information/types-of-cancer/brain_tumour/brain-tumours-overview.html
- The Auckland Radiation Oncology website has a guide for people with brain or spinal cord tumours, published by the Cancer Council Australia: <https://aucklandradiationoncology.co.nz/media/understanding/file/2d/understanding-brain-tumours.pdf>

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse this request.

Yours sincerely



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