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Dear Ms Hodson

RE: Request for information under the Official Information Act

Thank you for your Official Information Act (OIA) request received by Capital and Coast District Health Board (CCDHB) on 8 September 2019, seeking a response to your query.

Your requested information is set out below with our response:

As at 31st March 2019, please provide:

1. Guidelines and/or policy on thyroid diagnosis, testing and treatment issued/used/supported by the District health Board; plus

- *CCDHB clinicians follow the enclosed 2015 American Thyroid Association management guidelines for adult patients with thyroid nodules and differentiated thyroid cancer and Standards of Service Provision for Thyroid Cancer Patients in New Zealand – Provisional.*

a) The citation list (NZ and international clinical research studies, other clinical papers and publications including randomised control trials and guidelines) that support these guidelines/policy. Citations are to include those on safety, benefits, efficacy, risk, and risk management;

- *Please find the extensive citation list at the back of this guideline.*

AND

b). The citation list of all patient survey data that supports these guidelines/policy.

- *Please find the extensive citation list at the back of this guideline.*

2. From the period 1 January 1990 through to 31 March 2019, all studies carried out by the District Health Board (DHB), referred to or sourced by the DHB (NZ or international studies) that:

a) Monitor the impact of guidelines/policies on thyroid diagnosis, testing and treatment on the health and wellbeing of NZ thyroid patients; and

- *We know of no studies carried out by CCDHB for the period 1 January 1990 to 31 March 2019.*

b) All studies examining thyroid patients' experience of diagnosis and treatment.

- *We know of no studies carried out by CCDHB for the period 1 January 1990 to 31 March 2019.*

Thank you for your enquiry. We trust it meets your requirements, however should you require any further information please feel free to contact me.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to seek a review or to ask the Ombudsman to review the information that has been provided to you.

Yours sincerely



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