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Ref 1855

Mr Cameron Fisher

By Email: [fyi-request-11567-cf654754@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-11567-cf654754@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Dear Mr Fisher

### Official Information Act Request

I refer to your Official Information Act request transferred to us from the Ministry of Health on 8 November 2019 in which you specifically requested the following:

*I am writing this request for information pertaining to the relationship between University of Otago and Southern DHB relating in specific to Dunedin Hospital. I wish to understand the current relationship between both parties and if there are any current agreements in place between both parties either as sponsorships or commercial arrangements. The particulars I wish to obtain is scope of agreement, contract periods (start and expiry and options to extend), contract value.*

Southern DHB and University of Otago currently have numerous agreements covering:

- Facility space
- Clinical access, training and placement agreements for students
- Joint clinical agreements – where we jointly employ senior medical officers
- Clinical Lecturers – teaching by DHB employees
- Provision of other staff, e.g. medical imaging technologists, pharmacists, relief administration staff
- Research agreements
- Health Research South – jointly owned by the DHB and University
- Professional development and education support for university and DHB staff
- School of Pharmacy Clinic joint venture
- Interprofessional Learning Centre Stakeholders Group – DHB, University and Otago Polytechnic

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision by the Ombudsman. The Ombudsman's Office can be contacted on 0800 802 602 or on-line at <http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/>.

Yours sincerely



Chris Fleming  
Chief Executive Officer