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Dear G Sharma

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 21 November 2019 for:

"Thank you for your response. You mentioned that "Ministry of Health" and no other government agency would have this data, but I am baffled to know this because if no agency has this data available then how come politicians, media and other influential entities are claiming that migrant parents are choking up publicly funded Health resources?"

Do you believe there is some sort of channel where we can obtain this data or its not possible at all?"

This is a follow on request for the request you made on 12 November 2019 regarding 'immigrant parents'.

The information you have requested is not available from the Ministry of Health's National Collections data. Therefore your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as the information does not exist.

If there are specific instances of information and statistics in the public domain which you would like clarity on, we can look into these for you. Additionally you could directly approach those people quoting figures to understand where they are sourcing their data.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request.

Yours sincerely



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