

10 FEB 2020

Amy S Van Wey Lovatt  
By email: fyi-request-12154-71e3b7f2@requests.fyi.org.nz  
Ref: H202000429

Dear Amy

### **Transfer of request for official information to Waikato District Health Board**

Thank you for your request of 4 February 2020 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for:

*“Background:*

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*Request 1:*

*I respectfully request the dates between 01 March 2019 and 26 April 2019, in which Mr Hablous was acting CE of Waikato DHB.*

*Request 2:*

*Please provide the correspondence from the appropriate authority (e.g., Mr Wright or the Board/Commissioner) which designated Mr Hablous as acting CE of Waikato DHB for each of the dates he was acting CE between 01 March 2019 and 26 April 2019.”*

The Ministry of Health does not hold the information you have requested. However, I have been advised that this information is held by the Waikato District Health Board (WDHB).

For this reason, I have decided to transfer your request to WDHB under section 14 of the Act. You can expect a response from WDHB in due course.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to transfer your request for information.

Yours sincerely



Nick Allan  
**Manager OIA Services**  
**Office of the Director-General**

## Copy of OIA request

From: "Amy S Van Wey Lovatt" <fyi-request-12154-71e3b7f2@requests.fyi.org.nz>  
To: "OIA/LGOIMA requests at Ministry of Health" <oiagr@moh.govt.nz>,  
Date: 04/02/2020 07:28 a.m.  
Subject: Official Information request - Waikato DHB Chief Executive: March - April 2019

Dear Ministry of Health,

Please consider this submission as a new request, as I was told in the correspondence dated 3 February 2020, the Ministry of Health closed my request from 29 January 2020 without either providing the information or transferring my request.

Thus, pursuant to section 13 of the Official Information Act 1982, I respectfully request your assistance in helping me obtain the requested information outlined below. In the correspondence from the MoH dated 31 January 2020, I was told "The Ministry of Health does not hold the information you [I] have requested as the district health board (DHB) chairs are responsible for the DHB chief executive appointments (interim or permanent)."

Given that I am unable to find the contact information for the DHB chairs, this information was not provide in the response and the DHB chairs are appointed by the Minister, I request the MoH transfer my request to the Waikato DHB chairs or other appropriate body pursuant to section 14 of the Act.

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Kindest regards,  
Amy S Van Wey Lovatt

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