



20 April 2020

L Newcombe

By email: fyi-request-12399-41cfb696@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear L Newcombe

Official Information Act request

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated **6 March 2020** in which you request:

“... a copy of the policy regarding requests from third party providers for Pathology specimens for the purpose of seeking second opinions?”

Waikato DHB does not hold the information you have requested and therefore your request is declined under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 because the document that contains the information requested does not exist.

Your rights

You have the right to request that the Office of the Ombudsman investigates and reviews Waikato DHB's decision. You can contact the Office of the Ombudsman at <http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/> or by writing to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

Leena Singh

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