

8 June 2020

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Dear Mr Gray

Re: Official Information Act

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I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 11 May 2020, which was partially transferred to Taranaki DHB by the Ministry of Health on 21 May 2020. You have requested the following information:

"Given that Electroconvulsive Treatment has been used as a method of torture historically in New Zealand, can you please inform me of the precise number of these devices in NZ hospitals in present time?"

Taranaki DHB has one ECT device.

I trust the above information answers your OIA request.

Yours sincerely

Gillian Campbell

**Chief Operating Officer** 

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