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Dear Nigel

Partial Transfer of Official Information Act Request – Number of Electroconvulsive Treatment devices

Under section 14 of the Official Information Act, the Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB) received a partial transfer of your request from the Ministry of Health on 21 May 2020. You requested the following information in relation to the number of electroconvulsive devices being used by Whanganui District Health Board.

“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?”

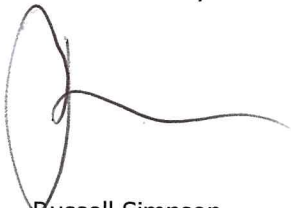
Whanganui District Health Board response:

Can you please inform me of the precise number of these devices in NZ hospitals in present time?

At the Whanganui DHB we do not have any electroconvulsive treatment devices.

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz

Yours sincerely



Russell Simpson
Chief Executive