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**Re: Official Information Act Request – PET scans and referrals**

Kia ora Sacha

Thank you for your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982.

**Hauora Tairāwhiti's response to your request is as follows:**

1. How many PET CT scans have been referred per year the past 3 years?
  - August 2017 – August 2018: 59
  - August 2018 – August 2019: 70
  - August 2019 – August 2020: 64
2. How many PET CT scans have been referred this year so far?  
64 scans have been referred during the period August 2019 – August 2020.
3. What percentage of the patients being referred are Māori?  
48% of people referred during the period August 2019 – August 2020 identified as Māori.
4. What is the average cost per PET scan referral?  
\$1200 (PET scan with injection)

If you are not satisfied with this response you may contact the Office of the Ombudsmen, phone 0800 802 602.

Please note this response or an edited version of this response may be published on the Hauora Tairāwhiti DHB website. Your personal/identifying information will be redacted from any responses published. If you feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider this.

Ngā mihi

**Jim Green**

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Hauora Tairāwhiti