

19 December 2013

Julie Hands

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Dear Ms Hands

Re Official Information Act Request

We refer to your Official Information Act (OIA) email request of 4 December 2013 for the following:

1. Procurement Policy for medical devices.
2. Funding policies for medical devices including when manufacturers will get paid (i.e., before surgery, upon receiving implant) with specific reference to custom devices.
3. How many hip revision surgeries involving an acetabular component were done for each year for the last 5 years 2012 in region? If not available, just 2012.
4. How many patients received a re-revision surgeries in the past five years? (i.e., it was their second or third plus revision surgery).
5. How much was spent on acetabular implants in revision surgeries over each year for the last five years? If not available, just 2012.
6. What is the average costs of running an operating theatre per hour (minus staffing costs)?
7. Total operating theatre costs for revision surgeries in 2012?
8. How long on average does a revision hip arthroplasty take?
9. How much was spent on rehabilitation after hip revision in 2012?
10. What is the cost of a day of rehabilitation for a hip surgery?

The statutory time limit for Auckland District Health Board (ADHB) to reply to this request is 6 January 2014. This letter is a notice pursuant to s15A that ADHB will need to extend that time limit to 20 January 2014, being a reasonable period of additional time to comply with your request, given that a statutory holiday falls within this time and ADHB wish to make a proper response to your request.

You have a right by way of a complaint to the Ombudsman under s28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review of this decision.

Yours faithfully



 Ailsa Claire, OBE
Chief Executive