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Ref: H202007838

Dear Lee Trezise

### **Transfer of your request for official information**

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 19 October 2020 for:

*"In reference to the story of a woman committing suicide while waiting for an urgent assessment, posted on October 19th, by NZHerald (<https://scanmail.trustwave.com/?c=15517&d=mKqN3633cle7Ey65nnWmweyQpLGPxTKd9ijTEN9m1q&u=https%3a%2f%2fwww%2enzherald%2eco%2enz%2fnz%2fsuicide-failure-woman-died-waiting-for-urgent-assessment-from-dhb%2f3QVJP4KVC42EY2BOBEWXLBRXFU%2f>)*

*Please provide any documentation, correspondence, notes, meeting minutes, etc regarding;*

*\* Investigations as to whether other DHBs had sufficient standards, protocols, etc that would avoid this happening in their DHB*

*\* Whether any corrective actions were made at the other 19 DHBs as a direct result of this case."*

The Ministry of Health believes the information you have requested is more closely connected to the functions of the Health and Disability Commissioner (HDC). For this reason, I have decided to transfer your request to HDC under section 14 of the Act. You can expect a response to your request from HDC in due course.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request.

Yours sincerely



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