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Dr Anna Goodwin

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Dear Dr Goodwin

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 21 January 2021 for:

"In accordance with the Health Practitioners Quality and Assurance Act, Section 54, Organizations performing quality assurance activities are to obtain certificates from the Health Minister to assure that these activities are legitimate and protected. Section 55 of the Act also provides for the Health Minister to certify the person or persons conducting the quality assurance activity to ensure their qualifications and familiarity with Codes of Conduct. I would be grateful for all such certificates (for Quality assurance sponsor and persons) provided by your office to Braemar Hospital Ltd and any relevant Committee during the interval from 2015-2020".

While I am advised that Braemar Hospital held a protected assurance activity notice under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003, no such notice has been provided from 2015 to 2020. I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(e) on the grounds that the information requested does not exist.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Hon Andrew Little Minister of Health