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Dear Sacha

RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10613 and WCDHB 9559

We refer to your email dated **27 May 2021** requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB and West Coast DHB.

- 1. How many PET CT scans have been referred per year the past 3 years?
- 2. How many PET CT scans have been referred this year so far?
- 3. What percentage of the patients being referred are Maori?
- 4. What is the average cost per PET CT scan referral?

Consultations which are necessary to make a decision on the request mean that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

The Canterbury DHB and the West Coast DHB therefore require further time prior to issuing our responses. The period of the extension is until **12 July 2021**.

We are permitted to make this extension under Section 15A of the Official Information Act 1982 and you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman about our decision to extend the time for responding.

Yours sincerely

Tracey Maisey Executive Director Planning, Funding & Decision Support