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Dear Richard

Your OIA request of 1 June 2021 to MidCentral District Health Board (MDHB) in which you have requested information regarding the effects of aeromedical transfer of patients is acknowledged and has been passed on to me for response.

You have requested the following information.

- **Please could you provide all information you may have regarding the effects on aeromedical transfer of patients caused by Wellington Airport's night-time runway closures during 2020-21, particularly;**
 - **The number of patients affected (who could not be transferred, were taken to other airports, or transfer was delayed) and assessment of any harm caused to them.**
 - **Any assessment of the financial cost to MidCentral DHB's aeromedical services caused by Wellington Airport runway closures.**

We are sorry to advise that MidCentral DHB has had no reason to collect any data relating to the Wellington Airport runway closures. To the best of our knowledge, we are unaware of any impact upon patient transfers due to this information.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the MidCentral DHB website 10 working days after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

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