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Dear Mr Walford

**Re: Official Information Act request**

Thank you for your online request dated 14 April 2014 for the following information:

1. *What is the CCDHB funding to Wellington Free Ambulance Group (Wellington Free Ambulance Service Inc, Wellington Free Ambulance Trust, WRA Alarms Ltd CECL) for the years (year ending) 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 (if possible)?*
2. *Was this funding to Wellington Free Ambulance paid in bulk funding, contract or was a portion paid for special projects? If there were special projects, what was each of the special projects and what was the funding for each of these for each of the seven years?*
3. *How and when is the funding from CCDHB paid to Wellington Free Ambulance Group (monthly, six monthly, yearly etc)? Is CCDHB funding a prepayment of an accrual?*

Please find below the responses to your questions:

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The Capital & Coast District Health Board (**CCDHB**) currently hold two Service Agreements with Wellington Free Ambulance; Non-Emergency Patient Transport and Urgent Community Care Pilot. The funding for each of these Agreements for the last seven years is listed in the table below.

<b>Agreement Name</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>\$ Amount (excl GST)</b>
Non-Emergency Patient Transport Services	1 July 2007 – 30 June 2008	No contract was in place in these years
	1 July 2008 – 30 June 2009	
	1 July 2009 – 30 June 2010	\$623,826.44
	1 July 2010 - 30 June 2011	\$623,826.44
	1 July 2011 – 30 June 2012	\$623,826.44
	1 July 2012 – 30 June 2013	\$644,928.00
	1 July 2013 – 30 June 2014	\$644,928.00
Urgent Community Care Services	1 July 2007 – 30 June 2008	No contract was in place in these years
	1 July 2008 – 30 June 2009	
	1 July 2009 – 30 June 2010	\$200,000.00
	1 July 2010 - 30 June 2011	\$200,000.00
	1 July 2011 – 30 June 2012	\$200,000.00
	1 July 2012 – 30 June 2013	\$287,500.00
	1 July 2013 – 30 June 2014	\$350,000.00 (estimated)

2. *Was this funding to Wellington Free Ambulance paid in bulk funding, contract or was a portion paid for special projects? If there were special projects, what was each of the special projects and what was the funding for each of these for each of the seven years?*

All funding to Wellington Free Ambulance has been paid for services delivered - non emergency patient transport and Urgent and Community Care services.

3. *How and when is the funding from CCDHB paid to Wellington Free Ambulance Group (monthly, six monthly, yearly etc)? Is CCDHB funding a prepayment of an accrual?*

Payments are generally made on a monthly basis and in arrears. That is, payments are made 20<sup>th</sup> month following month of service except for period 1 February 2013 to 30 June 2014 for the Urgent and Community Care services. For this period two payments will be made, one in June and one in July 2014 (\$116,666.40 and \$29,166.40 respectively).

You have a right to seek a review, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act, by way of a complaint to the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely



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