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Dear Andrew

Official Information Act (OIA) Request

Your recent OIA request to the Ministry of Health, part of which has been transferred to District Health Boards, is acknowledged.

The information you have requested follows.

- **The percentage of patients that have been declined referrals from multiple internal and external requests for gastrointestinal department – multiple being more than three separate GP/Doctor referrals.**
- **The timeframe is from 1 January 2021 through to 1 November 2021.**

MidCentral District Health Board (MDHB) had no reported cases of patients having more than three rejected referrals for the Gastroenterology Service over the timeframe stipulated.

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

Yours sincerely

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