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Andrew McGregor By email: fyi-request-17690-28706637@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Andrew

Re: Official Information Request for Treatment Protocols

I refer to your official information requests dated 24 November 2021 and transferred to Auckland DHB 22 December for the following information:

- 1) Guidelines/procedure for investigating possible Colonic Motility Dysfunction/Defecatory Disorders/Anorectal Dysfunction
- 2) What are the Guidelines/procedures for patients repeatedly admitted to Emergency Department with severe epigastric pain/ and upper right and left quadrant pain
- 3) What are the official Guidelines/procedures for urgent X-rays (24 hour)

Response

1) Anorectal Dysfunction

See Attachment 1. Anorectal Malformations and Attachment 2. Proctitis 2020 ASHS We are refusing your request for Guidelines/procedures for investigating possible Colonic Motility Dysfunction/Defactory Disorders as we do not hold this information.

2) Severe epigastric pain/ and upper right and left quadrant pain

We are refusing your request for Guidelines/procedures for patients repeatedly admitted to Emergency Department with severe epigastric pain/ and upper right and left quadrant pain as we do not hold this information.

3) Urgent X-rays (24 hour)

See Attachment 3. Radiology-Fast-Track-Chest-X-Ray-AED-and-APU_2018-02-13, Attachment 4. X-Ray-Requests-By-Nurses_2020-02-18 and Attachment 5 Observation and Monitoring in AED/CDU

Those parts of your request that are refused are done so citing under s18(e) Official Information Act – the information requested does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours sincerely,

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