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RE: Official Information Act Response

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received by Lakes District Health Board on 26 January 2022 seeking information below.

"I am seeking the number of people that have visited any/all hospitals and doctor's surgeries for any/all heart related issues, (including but not limited to pericarditis, myocarditis, heart attacks and strokes). The data requested is for the 11-month period from February 2021 until December 2021 inclusive, displayed in month by month format, and compared to the monthly data for the previous three years."

In response to your request, we can provide the following information:

Heart disease describes a range of conditions that affect your heart. This means there are many different heart conditions and problems which are collectively called heart disease. As part of your request, strokes which may induce cardiac damage has also been included in the data. The following table shows the total number of discharges from the hospital inpatients related to the conditions:

Acute rheumatic fever (I00-I02)

Chronic rheumatic heart diseases (105-109)

Hypertensive diseases (I10-I15)

Ischaemic heart diseases (I20-I25)

Pulmonary heart disease and diseases of pulmonary circulation (I26-I28)

Other forms of heart disease (130-152)

Cerebrovascular diseases (160-169)

Diseases of arteries, arterioles and capillaries (I70-I79)

Diseases of veins, lymphatic vessels and lymph nodes, not elsewhere classified (I80-I89)

Other and unspecified disorders of the circulatory system (195-199)

	2019	2020	2021
February	153	161	136
March	177	122	181
April	148	104	154

May	154	153	184
June	149	181	151
July	184	193	196
August	163	197	166
September	165	188	165
October	174	194	169
November	158	199	169
December	156	166	181

We hope that this answers your query.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter and enclosed documents (with your personal information removed) on Lakes DHB's website.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive

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