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J Thomas-Maude

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Dear J Thomas-Maude

RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10887 & WCDHB 9707

We are writing to acknowledge your email received today requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB and West Coast DHB. Specifically:

- 1. The total number of PGY1 House Officer positions filled by the ACE matching system for each year between 2014 and 2022, and a breakdown of these by country of training of the candidate (e.g. New Zealand, Australia).**
- 2. The total number of PGY1 House Officer positions filled in by NZREX graduates for each year between 2014 and 2022.**
- 3. The total number of PGY1 House Officer positions filled in by candidates from a Comparable Health System (e.g. U.K., Ireland, U.S.A., Canada etc.) for each year between 2014 and 2022.**
- 4. The total number of PGY1 House Officer positions that were available and advertised outside of the ACE matching system for each year between 2014 and 2022.**

We will consider your request against the provisions of the Official Information Act (see overleaf) and advise you of our decision regarding the release of information within 20 working days (being the statutory timeframe provided within the Act.)

Accordingly, and taking into account the public holidays on 6 June 2022 and 24 June 2022, we will notify you no later than 30 June 2022 of our decision.

Please note: Due to the pandemic, staff throughout our system have been redeployed and are involved with dealing with the response to Omicron/COVID-19. This work will take priority and may create delays in our ability to respond to Official Information Act requests.

Your request is being handled by Kathleen Smitheram. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact either myself (details above) or Kathleen. (Kathleen.Smitheram@cdhb.health.nz; phone (03) 364-4134).

Please refer to the OIA numbers above when phoning or emailing. If any additional factors come to light which are relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that these can be taken into account.

Yours sincerely



Ralph La Salle
Senior Manager, OIAs
Canterbury DHB & West Coast DHB

15 Decisions on requests

(1) Subject to this Act, the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation to whom a request is made in accordance with [section 12](#) or is transferred in accordance with [section 14](#) of this Act or [section 12](#) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any case not later than 20 working days after the day on which the request is received by that department or Minister of the Crown or organisation,—

(1)(a) decide whether the request is to be granted and, if it is to be granted, in what manner and for what charge (if any); and

(1)(b) give or post to the person who made the request notice of the decision on the request

[If we are unable to make a decision on your request by the date noted above, we will notify you of an extension of that timeframe.]