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### Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) – Response OIA2022053103

Thank you for your request under the Official information Act 1982 (the Act) request, regarding hiring data for PGY1 House Officers, that was received by the Hutt Valley (HVDHB), Capital & Coast (CCDHB) and Wairarapa (WaiDHB) District Health Boards on 31 May 2022.

Specifically, you have requested the following information:

1. *The total number of PGY1 House Officer positions filled by the ACE matching system for each year between 2018 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 2018 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 2018 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 (please note this is a wider time range than the three requests above).*

We are responding on behalf of all 3 DHBs (HVDHB, CCDHB and WaiDHB), as recruitment of House Officers are centrally handled by the RMO Unit at CCDHB.

Our joint response to your request is outlined below and is based on the following periods:

Before 2021 -

- Quarter 1 November – January
- Quarter 2 February – April
- Quarter 3 May – July
- Quarter 4 August – October

Starting in 2021, a decision was made by all DHBs to shift the quarter hiring to start 18 January 2021:

- Quarter 1 18 January – 17 April
- Quarter 2 18 April – 17 July
- Quarter 3 18 July – 17 October
- Quarter 4 18 October – 17 January

## Response

Wellington Region (HVDHB, CCDHB and WaiDHB)

1. *The total number of PGY1 House Officer positions filled by the ACE matching system for each year between 2018 and 2022, and a breakdown of these by country of training of the candidate (e.g. New Zealand, Australia).*

### **2018 (based on start date of November 2017)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No of PGY1</b>	<b>NZ</b>	<b>Others</b>
CCDHB	31	31	none
HVDHB	17	17	none
Wairarapa	1	1	none

### **2019 (based on start date of November 2018)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No of PGY1</b>	<b>NZ</b>	<b>Others</b>
CCDHB	35	35	none
HVDHB	19	19	none
Wairarapa	0	0	none

### **2020 (based on start date of November 2019)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No of PGY1</b>	<b>NZ</b>	<b>Others</b>
CCDHB	34	34	none
HVDHB	20	20	none
Wairarapa	0	0	none

### **2021 (based on start date of 18 January 2021)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No of PGY1</b>	<b>NZ</b>	<b>Others</b>
CCDHB	35	35	none
HVDHB	17	17	none
Wairarapa	2	2	none

### **2022 (based on start date of 18 January 2022)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No of PGY1</b>	<b>NZ</b>	<b>Others</b>
CCDHB	38	38	none
HVDHB	19	19	none
Wairarapa	1	1	none

2. *The total number of PGY1 House Officer positions filled in by NZREX graduates for each year between 2018 and 2022.*

**2018 (based on start date of November 2017)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No. of NZREX employed</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

**2019 (based on start date of November 2018)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No. of NZREX employed</b>
CCDHB	1
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	1

**2020 (based on start date of November 2019)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No. of NZREX employed</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	1
Wairarapa	0

**2021 (based on start date of 18 January 2021)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No. of NZREX employed</b>
CCDHB	2
HVDHB	1
Wairarapa	0

**2022 (based on start date of 18 January 2022)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>No. of NZREX employed</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	1

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 2018 and 2022.*

**2018 (based on start date of November 2017)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>From Comparable Health System</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

**2019 (based on start date of November 2018)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>From Comparable Health System</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

**2020 (based on start date of November 2019)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>From Comparable Health System</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

**2021 (based on start date of 18 January 2021)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>From Comparable Health System</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

**2022 (based on start date of 18 January 2022)**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>From Comparable Health System</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

Note: We never hire PGY1 equivalent RMO's as all spaces are taken up via the ACE programme. We would only look at PGY2 or above equivalent RMO's if we had a suitable vacancy.

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 (please note this is a wider time range than the three requests above).

**2014**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>Advertised Outside of ACE</b>
CCDHB	3 placements
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

**2015**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>Advertised Outside of ACE</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

**2016**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>Advertised Outside of ACE</b>
CCDHB	1 placement
HVDHB	1 placement
Wairarapa	0

**2017**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>Advertised Outside of ACE</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	3 placements; 2 were NZREX; 1 NZ graduate
Wairarapa	0

**2018**

<b>DHB</b>	<b>Advertised Outside of ACE</b>
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

## 2019

DHB	Advertised Outside of ACE
CCDHB	2 placements; both NZREX
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

## 2020

DHB	Advertised Outside of ACE
CCDHB	4 placements; 1 NZREX and 3 NZ graduates
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

## 2021

DHB	Advertised Outside of ACE
CCDHB	0
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

## 2022

DHB	Advertised Outside of ACE
CCDHB	3 currently in process; no placements yet
HVDHB	0
Wairarapa	0

I trust this information fulfils your request. You have the right, under section 28 of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or you can free phone 0800 802 602.

Nāku ite noa, nā



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