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Dear Emma

**Re: Official Information Act request – Outsourced Elective Surgery Data - (Ref: 20220615-1243)**

I refer to your Official Information Act (OIA) request of 15 June 2022 requesting the following information:

**I would like to request the following information for each of the DHBs in New Zealand, split by DHB.**

- 1. The total number of procedures outsourced by year (including the year to date) for the past five years.**
- 2. For each year, provide a breakdown of the type of procedure.**
- 3. For each year, provide the total spend on outsourced elective surgeries.**
- 4. For each year, provide the amount that these surgeries would have cost the DHBs if they had not been outsourced.**

## **Response**

The Official Information Act requires that we advise you of our decision on your request no later than 13 July, 20 working days after the day we received your request, or after clarification is agreed.

We are writing to notify you that we will be extending the deadline for our reply to 10 August 2022. If we can get this response to you earlier than this, we will.

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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