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Dear Matthew

Official Information Act request 22.50 Psychology Placements

I refer to the Official Information Act (the Act) request dated 29 August 2022 for information relating to Psychology placements. Please see below for the responses to your queries:

- *How many placement positions have been available to postgraduate clinical psychology students at your tertiary education institution annually over the past five years?*

	Year 1 On-Site Clinic Placement	Year 2 On-Site Clinic Placement	Year 2 Community Placement	Year 2 2nd Community Placement	Year 3 1st Internship Placement	Year 3 2nd Internship Placement	Total
2018	12	10	10	10	14	12	68
2019	12	10	9	10	9	11	61
2020	15	13	12	N/A	11	9	60
2021	17	14	14	N/A	12	12	69
2022	16	16	17	N/A	15	17	81

Note that in 2020 the course structure for Year 2 of training was changed to include only one community placement of a longer duration, instead of two community placements of shorter duration (to explain the N/A entries in the above table).

- *How many students have attained a postgraduate clinical psychology degree from your tertiary education institution annually over the past five years?*

For 2018 – 2022, the number of students attaining the Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology (PGDipClinPsyc) each year is 11, except for 2021 when the total was 6. Please note that the 2022 number includes those students have completed the requirements of the PGDipClinPsyc but have not yet had their qualification conferred (granted through a graduation ceremony in person or in absentia).

- *What is the number of students who have undertaken a placement as part of a postgraduate clinical psychology degree through your tertiary education institution, annually, over the past five years?*

Academic year

Number of students

2018	37
2019	34
2020	41
2021	46
2022	53

Please note that we have interpreted this question to be asking the total number of unique students in a given year who undertook any form of placement/internship e.g. one student may have had two-three placements, but this was counted as one.

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 080 0 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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