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Tēnā koe Anna

You request for Official information, reference: HNZ00012324

Thank you for your email on 26 February 2023 asking for the following which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You have specifically requested.

- 1. How many PET CT scans have been referred in the past 5 years across New Zealand?*
- 2. How many PET CT scans have been referred in the past 12 months?*
- 3. What is the average cost of each referral?*

On 1 March 2023, we emailed you seeking clarification of your request. You responded with the following:

- 1. The amount of PET CT scans performed in New Zealand in the past 5 years*
- 2. The amount of PET CT scans performed in New Zealand in the past 12 months*
- 3. The average cost of a PET CT scan in New Zealand.*

Please see outlined below a response to each part of your request.

- 1. The amount of PET CT scans performed in New Zealand in the past 5 years*

There were 21,788 patients who have had PET CT scans performed or referred by Te Whatu Ora in the past five years.

- 2. The amount of PET CT scans performed in New Zealand in the past 12 months*

There were 6,305 patients who have had PET CT scans performed or referred by Te Whatu Ora in the last 12 months.

- 3. The average cost of a PET CT scan in New Zealand.*

The average cost for PET CT scans for New Zealand patients was \$2,532.04 in financial year 2022/23.

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at hnzOIA@health.govt.nz.

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 or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Te Whatu Ora may proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available on our website.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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