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Dear Mr Sellers

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act received via [www.fyi.org.nz](http://www.fyi.org.nz) on Wednesday 12 March 2015. In reply to your questions:

**1. How many staff have accepted gifts from the pharmaceutical industry in any form or nature?**

SCDHB have no record of staff accepting gifts from the pharmaceutical industry in the past five years.

**2. What is the level of influence of the pharmaceutical industry on the New Zealand medical profession?**

This question is subjective. SCDHB do not hold information of the level of influence had in relation to the pharmaceutical industry.

**3. What is the relationship between your DHB and the pharmaceutical industry?**

SCDHB has a professional relationship with the pharmaceutical industry. Pharmaceuticals are an important clinical intervention for patients of SCDHB.

If you have any further questions please contact me.

Regards

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On behalf of  
**Nigel Trainor**  
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