

Ms Rosemary Lynch  
fyi-request-2767-76d78be9@requests.fyi.org.nz

Ref: H201501815

Dear Ms Lynch

**Transfer of request for official information to all district health boards**

Thank you for your request for official information, received on 24 May 2015.

The Ministry of Health does not hold the information you have requested. However, I believe that the information you have requested is more closely associated with the functions of the district health boards (DHBs). As a result, I have decided to transfer your request to all the DHBs under section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to transfer your request for information.

Yours sincerely



Liz McMillan  
Manager  
Government Relations

cc Chief Executives  
All DHBs

Encl Request for information from Ms Rosemary Lynch



From: Info MOH/MOH  
To: OIA Requests/MOH@MOH,  
Date: 25/05/2015 07:50 a.m.  
Subject: Fw: Official Information Act request - Funding allocation for hollow-bore needles in public health system  
Sent by: Karla Martin

Ministry of Health  
PO Box 5013  
Wellington 6145  
Free phone: 0800 855 066  
Phone: (04) 496 2000  
Healthline: 0800 611 116  
Email: [info@health.govt.nz](mailto:info@health.govt.nz)  
Website: [www.health.govt.nz](http://www.health.govt.nz)

----- Forwarded by Karla Martin/MOH on 25/05/2015 07:49 a.m. -----

From: Rosemary Lynch <[fyi-request-2767-76d78be9@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-2767-76d78be9@requests.fyi.org.nz)>  
To: OIA requests at MOH <[EmailMOH@moh.govt.nz](mailto:EmailMOH@moh.govt.nz)>,  
Date: 24/05/2015 04:35 p.m.  
Subject: Official Information Act request - Funding allocation for hollow-bore needles in public health system

Dear Ministry of Health,

I have several questions relating to funding of medical supplies in New Zealand public healthcare system.

1. How much money is spent annually on the purchase of hollow-bore needles for use in the NZ public healthcare system, and who is the provider of these supplies?
2. What are the numbers and types of (hollow-bore) needles purchased annually for use in public health?
3. How many public health care workers, who have experienced a needle stick injury while in the workplace, test positive for Hepatitis B Virus (HBV), Hepatitis C Virus (HCV), and/or the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) annually?
4. Does the ministry have any plans and/or policies in place to reduce instances of needle stick injuries in the public healthcare system?

Yours faithfully,

Rosemary Lynch

-----  
This is an OIA request done via the FYI website.

Please do not send progress updates as PDF files.

Disclaimer: This message and any reply that you make will be published on the internet. Our privacy and copyright policies:  
<https://fyi.org.nz/help/officers>

If you find this service useful as an OIA officer, please ask your web manager to link to us from your organisation's OIA page.