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Dear Lait Dalal

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request for official information as transferred from the Ministry of Health and received 25 January 2017 by Nelson Marlborough DHB (NMDHB). On the same date District Health Board Shared Services (DHBSS), which works on behalf of DHBs with in common official information requests, notified DHBs of the Withdrawal of this transfer.

Subsequently the Ministry of Health revised the original transfer and Question 1 of your request was transferred to DHBSS to respond and Questions 2 and 3 of your request were transferred to DHBs to respond. On 15 February 2017 NMDHB received the revised transfer for Questions 2 and 3 where you seek the following information.

Could you please provide the exact figure of last 3 years for the following:

- 1. Total Number of New Zealand medical graduates who were unable to find a PGY1 position in 2016 intake.***
- 2. Total number of designated PGY1 positions across all DHB's where, following a withdrawal or decline by ACE matched candidates, PGY2 or higher candidates were appointed.***
- 3. Out of these appointments:***
 - A. Breakdown of appointments quarter wise.***
 - B. How many were existing employee and required further PGY1 allocation to meet MCNZ general registration requirements.***
 - C. How many of these appointees satisfied MCNZ registration requirements through comparable health care system or competent authority pathways.***

NMDHB has not had any withdrawals or declines by ACE matched candidates over the previous 3 years, as such, we decline to respond under Section 18(e) of the Official Information Act in that '*... the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist ...*'

This response has been provided under the Official Information Act 1982. You have the right to seek an investigation by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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