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Dear Mr Andrews

Re: Official Information Act Request

I refer to your Official Information Act request received by email on 10 February 2017 in which you specifically requested the following:

Could you please provide the total number of hospital beds from 2006 to 2016 at Southern District Health Board. Yearly count will be great. Please note that the bed volume is the count of physical bed capacity (i.e. bed spaces). The count includes beds, roller beds, lazy-boys etc. The data does not include patient occupancy volumes.

Hospital Bed Spaces 2006 to 2016 as at December each year	
Year	Physical Beds
2006	740
2007	740
2008	740
2009	740
2010	740
2011	740
2012	740
2013	748
2014	748
2015	748
2016	732

The bed volumes provided are the count of physical bed spaces at the end of December each year. We are unable to quantify lazy boys as these appear to fluctuate and are often interchangeable.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision by the Ombudsman. The Ombudsman's Office can be contacted on 0800 802 602 or on-line at <http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/>.

Yours sincerely

Chris Fleming
Chief Executive Officer