Corporate Services



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Karyn Black

Via email: fyi-request-6135-2b8b6345@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Ms Black

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 5 July 2017 where you requested the following information from the Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB):

- 1. Does "Nga Rau Raku" mental health inpatient unit currently have security cameras operating with the hospital area?
 - Definition of hospital area as including: the reception area, entrance and exit points, main patient leisure areas, occupational therapy spaces, seclusion rooms, patient corridors, intensive care or high dependency areas, private/patient outside garden spaces. This excludes any cameras operating outside of the inpatient unit treatment areas such as car parks, public hospital grounds.
- 2. If the inpatient unit does have cameras operating please provide the following information:
 - a) When were the cameras installed?
 - b) Where are the cameras located?
 - c) How many cameras are operating?
 - d) "Seclusion, Restraint, and Assault" reporting data for one year prior to the installation of any security cameras. For example, if cameras were installed June 2010, I request Seclusion, Restraint and Assault reporting data for the period from June 2009 June 2010.
 - e) "Seclusion, Restraint, and Assault" reporting data for one year after the installation of any security cameras. For example, if cameras were installed June 2010, I request Seclusion, Restraint and Assault reporting data for the period from June 2010 June 2011.

In response to your request, HBDHB provides the following information:

Question 1: There are 8 cameras that connect to an internal viewing screen in the Mental Health Inpatient Unit's nursing station. They are located as follows:

- 1. Public Entrance Internal view
- 2. Public Entrance External View
- 3. Main Reception area
- 4. Secure Vehicle Bay
- 5. Inner hall from Secure Vehicle Bay
- 6. Parking area at rear of Secure Vehicle Bay
- 7. Outside view from Vehicle Bay looking at direction of Pohutukawa room
- 8. Maintenance area at back and side of Nga Rau Rakau (Inpatient Unit)

Please note: The information provided in the table below must be considered within the context of the mental health inpatient unit having moved premises from an old building, to a new, purpose built building in Jan 2016 (the new building had cameras installed – the old building did not).

	Number of Assaults (Verbal & Physical)	Number of Restraints	Number of seclusions events	Number of seclusion hours
21 Jan 2015 to 20 Jan 2016 (BEFORE cameras installed)	35	189	53	4278
21 Jan 2016 to 20 Jan 2017 (AFTER cameras installed)	24	148	68	3904

I trust this information meets your needs. If you would like any further information or clarification please phone me. If you are not satisfied with this response you may contact the Office of the Ombudsmen, phone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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