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By email to: fyi-request-7014-b007ecbd@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Dr Armstrong

Re Official Information Act Request – Increasing Mental Health Demand

I refer to your official information request dated 14 December 2017 for information about increases in mental health crisis care demand.

The Official Information Act requires that we advise you of our decision on your request no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to meet that time limit and we are therefore writing to notify you of an extension of the time to make our decision, to 19 February 2018.

This extension is necessary because consultation with and input from other staff across the organisation is required to collate and provide the information you have asked for and therefore a complete and proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review 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 faithfully

Ailsa Claire, OBE Chief Executive

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