

28 February 2020

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Dear [REDACTED]

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2020013

I refer to your Official Information Act request transferred in part to Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB) by The Ministry of Health on 27 January 2020 where you requested information regarding Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT) treatments. Your question and HBDHB's response is provided below:

For the years 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/ 18, 2018/19 the cost of ECT treatments.

Between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2019 a total of 336 ECT treatments (27 individuals) were provided at an average cost of \$775.00 per treatment.

Note: Hawke's Bay DHB's is able to provide an estimated average figure only for the period noted as the DHB's Mental Health and Addiction Services cover the cost of ECT treatments from within its operational budget; the exact cost of providing ECT treatments is not held discretely/separately in our financial system and is therefore not able to be retrieved.

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 Ombudsman, phone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Hawke's Bay DHB website after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely



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