

28 August 2020

(name and contact details redacted)

Dear (name redacted)

## **YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2020108**

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 3 August 2020 where you requested information from Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB). Your questions and HBDHB's response is provided below:

**1. Number of mental health inpatient facility beds at DHB [HBDHB], by name of facility.**

Hawke's Bay DHB's acute mental health inpatient unit Ngā Rau Rākau has 23 beds.

**2. Number of people admitted as mental health inpatients who identify as transgender or gender diverse in the last 12 months.**

Inpatient gender status(trans gender or gender diverse)is not collected by HBDHB. Therefore, under section 18 (e) of the Official Information Act, relating to information not held, the DHB declines this request.

**3. Total number of people admitted as mental health inpatients in the last 12 months.**

For the period 20 August 2019 to 19 July 2020 358 people were admitted to Ngā Rau Rākau; note some people are admitted more than once and therefore the total number of admissions during this period was 538.

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 Hawke's Bay DHB's website after receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

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