

27 January 2021

(name and contact details redacted)

Dear (name redacted)

## **YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2020158**

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 8 December 2020 where you requested information from Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB). Your questions and HBDHB's response is provided below:

- 1. The number of patients who received a hip replacement for the period of 1/1/20 – 30/11/20.**  
For the period requested, 159 patients received a hip replacement, of these 13 were referred by a private specialist.
- 2. The number of patients who received a knee replacement for the period of 1/1/20 – 30/11/20**  
For the period requested, 139 patients received a knee replacement, of these 17 were referred by a private specialist.
- 3. The number of patients who received a hip replacement who were referred by a private specialist.**  
Refer response provided to question 1 above.
- 4. The number of patients who received a knee replacement who were referred by a private specialist.**  
Refer response provided to question 2 above.
- 5. The number of patients who received a knee or hip replacement that were referred privately by a specialist who also contracts or works for your DHB.**  
All private specialist referrals noted above were made by specialists who also work for HBDHB.
- 6. The number of privately referred patients who do not have to undertake a first specialist appointment.**  
Nil, privately referred patients are required to undertake a first specialist assessment.

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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