

Corporate Services



29 July 2021

(name and contact details redacted)

Dear (name redacted)

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2021072

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 28 June 2021 where you requested information from Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB).

As you do not meet the eligibility criteria set out under s12 (1) of the Official Information Act 1982, your request has been treated as a research request. Your questions and HBDHB's response is provided below:

Total number of patients with Crohn's disease of ulcerative colitis to receive biologic treatments (infliximab, adalimumab) between 2016 and 2020 inclusive who were:

- 1. White New Zealander***
 - 2. Māori***
 - 3 Asian (Ideally separated into South Asian and East Asian)***
 - 5. Pacific Islanders***
- by each ethnicity separately.***

Hawke's Bay DHB provides biologic treatments to patients. However, the DHB's digital data does not identify biologic treatments to Crohn's disease patients with ulcerative colitis specifically. This would require a manual search through patient files by a clinician in the outpatient setting to identify the Chron's patients with ulcerative colitis, as well as their ethnicity.

Therefore, under section 18 (f) of the Official Information Act 1982 , Hawke's Bay DHB declines to provide a response to this question due to substantial collation and research.

Yours sincerely

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