

Corporate Services



13 August 2021

(name and contact details redacted)

Dear (name redacted)

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2021082

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 13 July 2021 where you requested information from Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB). Your questions and HBDHB's response is provided below:

- 1. How many methamphetamine or other type of drug addicts are estimated to be in Hawke's Bay?***
- 2. How many people are currently accessing services in relation to methamphetamine addiction in Hawke's Bay?***
- 3. What services are available to them?***
- 4. What is the capacity of these services in relation to the need***

In response to question one, Hawke's Bay DHB does not collect this information so under section 18 (g) of the Official Information Act relating to information not held decline to provide a response to this portion of your request.

In response to question two, Hawke's Bay DHB is unable to provide this information as it is not captured digitally and would require the manual searching of over 2000 individual patient files and health records to extract the information. Therefore, under section 18 (f) of the Official Information Act 1982 relating to substantial collation and research, Hawke's Bay DHB declines to provide a response to this question.

In response to question three, the services Hawke's Bay DHB as well as the range of addiction services provided either by non-governmental agencies, private providers and others to people with methamphetamine addiction or other types of drug addiction are listed and attached to this email as a PDF document.

In response to question four Hawke's Bay DHB works in close partnership with Non-Governmental Organisations, Primary Care Providers and other local and national addiction service providers to provide timely and effective services for people with addiction problems. Additionally, Hawke's Bay DHB provides funding for Springhill treatment centre based in Napier, which is a residential treatment service that provides a structured eight week residential environment for adults committed to overcoming addiction.

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.

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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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Chris Ash', written in a cursive style.

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