Corporate Services



29 September 2021

(name and contact details redacted)

Dear (name redacted)

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2021109

I refer to your Official Information Act request to the Ministry of Health which was partially transferred to district health boards on 3 September 2021. Your question and HBDHB's response is provided below:

"Also please disclose correspondence since April 2020 from you or the previous Minister of Health to DHBs or the Ministry of Health about preparedness for covid hospitalisations."

Hawke's Bay District Health Board has interpreted your question as meaning correspondence between the DHB and the current and previous Minister of Health, and correspondence between the Ministry of Health and the current and previous Minister of Health.

Hawke's Bay DHB does not hold any correspondence between it and the Ministers of Health about preparedness for COVID-19 hospitalisations. Therefore under section 18 (g) of the Official Information Act relating to information not held decline to provide a response to your request.

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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