## **Corporate Services**



10 November 2021



Dear

## YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2021128

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 29 September 2021 where you requested information from Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB).

\*Please note Hawke's Bay DHB follows referral pathways aligned to Canterbury DHB. Hawke's Bay DHB cannot provide priority timeframe information, nor duration of symptoms, as CA-125 results are almost always not on the request form or available. Therefore, this part of your request is declined under section 18 (g) of the Official Information Act relating to information not held.

Hawke's Bay DHB can however answer part of your question as set out below where you will note some referrals require additional information\*. Your questions including the clarified request and HBDHB's response is provided below:

Premenopausal 36 year old women with new onset bowel habit changes and bloating of A. 1 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history - with CA-125 of 15 Referral declined.

- **B.** 3 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 15 (stable) Referral declined.
- C. 3 months duration and new onset urinary frequency, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 18 (previously 15)

Referral declined.

- **D.** 1 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 37 \*Request ultrasound and re refer.
- E. 1 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 205 \*Request ultrasound and re refer.
- F. 1 months duration, mass on pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 205 \*Two weeks.

Post-Menopause 50 year old woman presenting with new bowel habit changes and bloating of A. 1 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history - with CA-125 of 15 Referral declined.

- **B.** 3 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 15 (stable) \*Request ultrasound and re refer.
- C. 3 months duration and new onset urinary frequency, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 18 (previously 15)
- \*Request ultrasound and re refer.
- **D.** 1 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 37 \*Request ultrasound
- E. 1 months duration, normal pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 205 \*(Request ultrasound
- F. 1 months duration, mass on pelvic exam, negative family history with CA-125 of 205 \*Two weeks.

On 1 October you clarified your request with the following:

To clarify the recent OIA request we sent - we used the term 'menopausal 50 year old' to mean "post menopause" if there is any doubt. Thank you for your understanding.

Original OIA below with "Menopausal" replaced by "Post Menopause"

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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