

Corporate Services



11 May 2022

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Dear [REDACTED]

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2022044

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 19 April 2022 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 women referred to Maternal Mental Health to this DHB in 2021 and the number that were accepted.***
- 2. The current wait times for Maternal Mental Health in this District Health Board.***

Hawke's Bay DHB's Maternal Mental Health Service received 144 referrals in 2021 of which 129 were accepted.

Wait times vary, dependant on the referral. For example:

- Some patients referred in 2021 were offered appointments on the same day as referral. However, not all accept same day referrals, some patients choose to be seen at a later date.
- Patients who opt to engage via telehealth as a first appointment (as opposed to in-person) were generally seen within three days.
- On average in-person appointments were completed within 13 days from referral.

I trust this information meets your needs. If you would like any further information or clarification please contact us via email. 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Ash'.

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