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Re: Official Information Act (OIA) request linked to OIA 892 - James Yallop

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 19 July requesting the following information:

1. Why did ADHB recently allow James Yallop to attend training in Wellington given he had given notice of resignation from ADHB? Like other staff who have previously attended external training and conferences, has James provided a synopsis and or presentation to the wider compliance team regarding his training/ conference that he attended in Wellington at the cost of ADHB?

Two Auckland Regional Public Health Service (ARPHS) employees were invited as members of a national alcohol group to attend training in Wellington. Information on this training has been shared with all compliance officers.

It is my understanding that both James and Hayley Pritchard have been for the past many months spending considerable work days working from home. Can you please provide information on what these staff are working on and how does ADHB measure their performance that the time spent is on work related issues.

ARPHS has a flexible working policy, which is informed by ADHB's policy, whereby staff can apply to work from home or work flexible hours/days. Many staff have an approved flexible working arrangement; all staff have performance agreements and objectives, with progress tracked against these six-monthly or within the annual performance review process, or during 1:1 meetings.

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours faithfully

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