

22 November 2021



Re: Official Information Act request – OP radiology assessments/investigations and cancellations

I refer to your Official Information Act request received dated 6 September 2021 and partially transferred to Auckland DHB 13 October requesting the following information:

The number of cancelled, delayed or postponed inpatient procedures in Alert Levels 3 and 4 to date where the primary diagnosis or main provisional diagnosis was cancer, listed by level?

Specifically for gynaecology cancers, all lung cancers (cardiothoracic) and some otorhinolaryngology (ORL) cancers, where Auckland DHB holds this data as the provider of these services for the Waitematā DHB population.

Response

Two cases were deferred in Level 4, in March 2020, for Waitemata DHB. One Gynaecology cancer, and one ORL cancer. No inpatient procedures were cancelled.

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 at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely,



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