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Re: Official Information Act request – ED COVID-19 Data (ADHB Ref: 20220219-1159)

I refer to your request dated 20 February 2022 requesting the following information, which we have determined is best answered using our Official Information Act process. You requested the following information:

- 1. What percentage of patients turning up at ED on Sunday (February 20) tested positive for Covid 19?**
- 2. What percentage of patients turning up at ED on Friday (February 18) tested positive for Covid 19?**

Response

- 1. What percentage of patients presenting to ED on Sunday (February 20) tested positive for COVID-19?**
Adults = 7% Children = 15%
- 2. What percentage of patients presenting to ED on Friday (February 18) tested positive for COVID-19?**
Adults = 8% Children = 17%

The numbers above are based on patients where the first ward/clinical location was Adult Emergency Department or Children's Emergency Department. Please note that COVID status is based on testing positive within 14 days prior to admission or during the admission at any point – 14 days was the length of time someone was classified as a COVID-19 positive on the dates requested.

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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