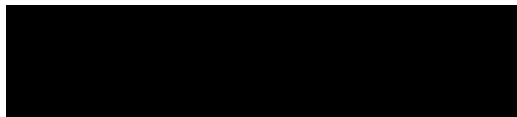


23 November 2021



Dear 

Re: Official Information Act

I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 3 November 2021. You have requested the following information:

Would you please supply the total of 'Medical Certificate of Causes of Fetal and Neonatal Death' forms that have been filled out, per month, since June 2020 to date in your District Health Board area. (Ministry of Health web page reference: <https://bit.ly/3mGo01q>)

Please separate into Fetal Deaths and Neonatal Deaths per month. If permissible please advise the cause of death.

Please find the requested information in the Appendix.

I trust this information answers your OIA request.

Kind regards



Gillian Campbell
Chief Operating Officer

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Appendix

2020

Month	Number of Fetal Deaths	Reasons	Number of Neonatal Deaths	Reasons
June	2	Unexplained antepartum fetal death x2	1	Awaiting coroners report.
July	1	Antepartum Fetal Death	0	
August	5	x2 Terminations of Pregnancy for Fetal Abnormality. X2 Unexplained antepartum Fetal Death. x1 Placental Abruption	0	
September	1	Unexpected antepartum fetal death	2	x2 extreme prematurity incompatible with life (twins)
October	0		1	Extreme Prematurity incompatible with life
November	1	Interuterine Fetal Demise (IUFD) Antepartum	0	
December	0		1	Awaiting coroners report.

2021

Month	Number of Fetal Deaths	Reasons	Number of Neonatal Deaths	Reasons
January	2	Termination of Pregancy- Fetal Abnormality. X1 Intrapartum fetal death (early labour)	0	
February	1	Antepartum Haemorrhage and anhydramnios	0	
March	2	x1 Intrapartum Fetal Death (early labour). Known cardiac abnormality. X1 Unexplained Fetal death at 22 weeks	0	
April	1	Unexplained Stillbirth at 20 weeks	0	
May	0		0	
June	1	Severe IUGR, and abnormal dopplers prior to viable gestation. Fetal death.	0	
July	2	x2 Medical Termination of Pregnancy due to fetal abnormality.	0	
August	1	Medical Termination of Pregnancy for Fetal Abnormality	0	
September	0		0	
October	0		0	