

8 November 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

**Re: Official Information Act**

I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 14 October 2021. You have requested the following information:

*1. Which PET CT suppliers do you use for your PET CT referrals?*

Due to locality issues and patient/clinical requirements, Taranaki DHB may refer PET CTs to the following service providers:

- Mercy Radiology, Auckland
- Midland PET-CT, Hamilton
- Pacific Radiology, Wellington

*2. How are the tenders for these referrals accessed and when are they put out to tender?*

Referrals are sent to service providers as per patient or clinical requirement. As Taranaki DHB uses a number of service providers, currently there is no requirement for a tender process.

*3. Are any of your PET CT referrals currently under contract with your suppliers and if so when are the contracts up for renewal?*

Taranaki DHB currently has a contract with Midland PET CT, while contracts for Pacific Radiology and Mercy Radiology are in the pre-contracting stage.

*4. Are there any extra costs to the DHB for providing PET CT scans to patients, eg travel costs, accommodation?*

Any patient that meets the National Patient Travel criteria receives funding for travel costs and accommodation.

I trust the above information answers your OIA request.

Kind regards

  
Gillian Campbell  
Chief Operating Officer