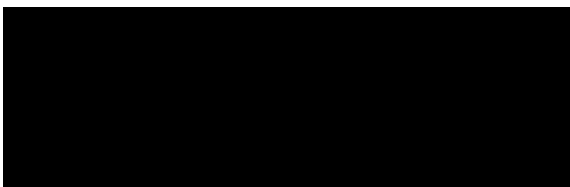


13 October 2021



Dear 

**Re: Official Information Act**

I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 12 August 2021 which was partially transferred to Taranaki DHB by the Ministry on 21 September 2021. We are responding to the following questions:

2. *Of the total amount of strokes in NZ in 2019, 2020 and 2021:*

Year	Number of discharges at Taranaki DHB
2019	175
2020	203
2021 to 24 September 2021	146

**Please note:** the above information is not routinely collected. To get the above numbers Taranaki DHB has run a report on the number of discharged with Cerebral infarction and Intracerebral haemorrhage events.

- a. *How many of the victims were:*
- i. *Overweight – unable to answer*
  - ii. *Diabetic - 118*
  - iii. *High blood pressure / hypertension – 164*
  - iv. *Atrial Fibrillation – 73*
  - v. *High Cholesterol – unable to answer*
  - vi. *Smokers - 64*
  - vii. *Identified as drinking alcohol regularly – unable to answer*
  - viii. *Where clinically depressed, or identified high stress levels – unable to answer*
  - ix. *Where medical misadventure strokes? – unable to answer*

Conditions	2019	2020	2021
Diabetes	38	43	37
High Blood pressure/Hypertension	70	58	36
Atrial Fibrillation	30	28	15
Smoker	22	23	19

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3. *Of the total amount of strokes and in NZ in 2019, 2020 and 2021:*
- a. *How many received thrombolysis treatment? **85 patients received IV thrombolysis.***
  - c. *How many were referred to either the Stroke Foundation of New Zealand or Stroke Central New Zealand? **Unable to answer***
    - i. *By region for Central Region – **not applicable***
  - d. *How many received some kind of rehabilitation treatment? **139 patients.***
  - f. *How many were secondary strokes? **Unable to answer***
  - g. *How many resulted in disability? **Unable to answer***

	2019	2020	2021
IV thrombolysis	27	38	20
Rehabilitation	34	67	38

Taranaki DHB is unable to answer some of the questions as above, as we cannot capture this level of data in our current reporting systems.

I trust the above information answers your OIA request.

Kind regards



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**Chief Operating Officer**