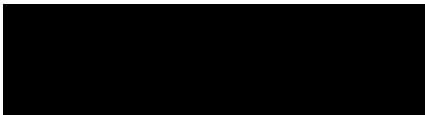


17 January 2022



Dear 

Re: Official Information Act

I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 10 December 2021, which was transferred to Taranaki DHB on 12 January 2022 by the Ministry of Health. You have requested the following information:

For each DHB (except for Capital Coast) can you please tell me if publically funded bone density (DEXA) scans are available for (1) all relevant Endocrinology patients (2) any patient seen in a relevant subspecialty (yes/no adequate detail for both questions). The scan could be provided in private but the question is about who pays - the DHB or the patient. If some patients would be funded (e.g. community service card holders) please provide this information.

Taranaki DHB can confirm that DEXA scans are publicly funded for endocrinology patients and any patient seen in a relevant subspecialty.

I trust the above information answers your OIA request.

Yours sincerely



Katy Sheffield
Chief Operating Officer (acting)