

17 January 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Official Information Act

I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 11 December 2021, which was transferred to Taranaki DHB by the Department of Internal Affairs on 22 December 2021. You have requested the following information:

1. *How many recorded assaults on health staff have there been in 2021?*

There were 57 recorded assaults in 2021.

2. *How many recorded incidents of verbal abuse or threats have there been on health staff in 2021?*

63 verbal abuse and 33 physical threats.

3. *How many days have been lost due to staff taking time off after being assaulted in the same time frame?*

18 working days.

I trust the above information answers your OIA request.

Yours sincerely



Katy Sheffield
Chief Operating Officer (acting)