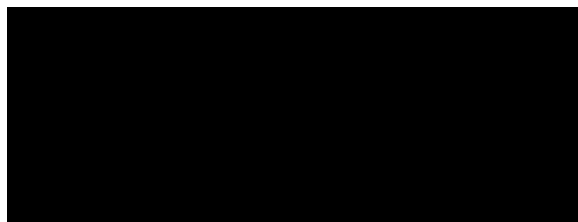


7 September 2022



Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Official Information Act

I am responding on behalf of Te Whatu Ora Taranaki to your OIA request of 10 August 2022 which was amended on 12 August 2022. You have requested the following information:

- 1. How many people are currently on the waiting list for all services for First Specialist Assessment (ESPI #2), what was the increase or decrease in numbers on the list for May – July 2022 inclusive, and how many in total have been waiting more than 12 months ?*
 - As of 12 August 2022 there were 5,899 patients awaiting an FSA appointment.
 - There has been an increase of 132 patients on the waiting list between May-July 2022.
 - As of 12 August 2022 there are currently 1,519 patients who have been waiting over 12 months.
- 2. How many people are on the waiting list for surgery (ESPI #5 – elective services patient flow indicators), what was the increase or decrease in numbers on the list for May – July 2022 inclusive, and how many in total have been waiting more than 12 months ?*
 - As of 12 August 2022 there were 2,104 patients awaiting surgery.
 - There has been an increase of six patients awaiting surgery between May-July 2022.
 - As of 12 August 2022 there are currently 293 patients who have been waiting over 12 months.
- 3. What are the lowest and highest CPAC scores (Clinical Priority Access Code) for those waiting less than 12 months on the surgical wait list, and those waiting more than 12 months on the surgical wait list with the orthopaedic service, listed separately for the two time frames ?*

Please see Table 1 in the Appendix.

Please note: The cases waiting over 365 days that have a high CPAC score have been clinically reviewed and have had surgery deferred due to other surgical or medical treatment/investigations of a higher priority proceeding.

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4. *How many GP referrals have been declined for all services per 6 months and yearly in the past 5 years, including the 6 months to June 30 2022, listed in absolute numbers and as a percentage of GP referrals per 6 months and per year ?*

Please see Table 2 in the Appendix.

5. *What are the figures every quarter totaled for all services for the past 7 years for ESPI #1 – primary care referral acknowledgement ?*

Please note, as we have not received clarification from our email on 19 August 2022 or from subsequent requests, we have answered this question in percentages.

Please see Table 3 in the Appendix.

I trust this information answers your OIA request.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Te Whatu Ora Taranaki (www.tdhb.org.nz) website no less than one week after the response has been provided to you. Any personal or identifying information will be redacted from any response published online. Te Whatu Ora Taranaki will endeavour to resolve any concerns you should raise but, subject to any legal grounds for withholding, ultimately reserves the right to publish any information.

Kind regards



Gillian Campbell
Interim District Director
Taranaki

Appendix

Table 1: What are the lowest and highest CPAC scores (Clinical Priority Access Code) for those waiting less than 12 months on the surgical wait list, and those waiting more than 12 months on the surgical wait list with the orthopaedic service, listed separately for the two time frames ?

Time Frame	Lowest CPAC Score	Highest CPAC Score
Patients waiting less than 12 months	29	100
Patients waiting over 12 months	48	100

Table 2: How many GP referrals have been declined for all services per 6 months and yearly in the past 5 years, including the 6 months to June 30 2022, listed in absolute numbers and as a percentage of GP referrals per 6 months and per year

	GP referrals declined	Proportion of total referrals
Jan – June 2017	742	17%
July - Dec 2017	778	19%
Total 2017	1520	
Jan-June 2018	915	20%
July - Dec 2018	1040	21%
Total 2018	1955	
Jan-June 2019	1024	21%
July - Dec 2019	883	22%
Total 2019	1907	
Jan-June 2020	759	24%
July - Dec 2020	802	23%
Total 2020	1561	
Jan-June 2021	804	19%
July - Dec 2021	978	22%
Total 2021	1782	
Jan-31 July 2022	978	22%

Table 3: What are the figures every quarter totaled for all services for the past 7 years for ESPI #1 – primary care referral acknowledgement ?

Year	1 January – 31 March	1 April -30 June	1 July -30 September	1 October-31 December
2015	No data	93.5%	93.5%	90.34%
2016	91.7%	93%	93%	91.1%
2017	93.7%	90%	92.7%	88%
2018	88%	90%	90.8%	88%
2019	88.7%	87.5%	88.7%	75%
2020	89.6%	90.6%	87%	92%
2021	91.4%	91.7%	92%	89.2%
2022	94%	91%		