

17 March 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

Re: Official Information Act

I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 18 February 2022. You have requested the following information:

1. *Current employed psychologist FTE and headcount and a table showing how many psychologists are employed on each step of the scale.*

Currently there are totally 19 Psychologists (16 Psychologists and three Trainee Psychologists) employed and the total FTE for all Psychologist is 15; the below table shows the number of Psychologists employed on each step of the scale.

Please note: Casual employees are excluded in the report.

Pay Plan Step	Psychologist	Trainee Psychologist	Grand Total
1	1	3	4
2	1		1
7	1		1
8	2		2
10	1		1
11	4		4
12	2		2
13	1		1
14	3		3
Grand Total	16	3	19

2. *Employed psychologist turnover from 1 February 2021 to 1 February 2022.*

One (December 2021).

3. *Current number of vacant FTE for Psychologists.*

Currently one Psychologist vacancy that has been offered and we are awaiting a reply, start date 2 May 2022.

4. How the total FTE of psychologists employed by the DHB is distributed and the location where the FTE is based (e.g. five FTE in adult community mental health in Tauranga, one FTE in inpatient mental health in Whangarei, two FTE in child and adolescent mental health in Orewa).

Please note: Casual employees are excluded in the report; Psychologist includes Trainee Psychologist

Unit Name	Total FTE of Psychologist employed
Child Development	1.2
Health Psychologists	0.8
MH - Child and Youth Mental Health	5.5
MH - North Mental Health Team	6.4
MH - Psychogeriatric Community	0.5
MH - Te Puna Waiora (TPW)	0.6
Grand Total	15

I trust the above information answers this OIA request.

Yours sincerely



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