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Dear Brodie

Official Information Act Request – Our Reference 2019/115

Thank you for your request, received on 20 June 2019 via the Ministry of Health. As notified to you by the Ministry of Health parts 4 and 5 of your request were transferred to the District Health Boards under section 14 of the Act. The information below is from Capital and Coast District Health Board (CCDHB).

- *How many, if any, transgender individuals have been referred to endocrine services in New Zealand in the past five years, broken down by year?*
- *How many, if any, transgender individuals have been referred to endocrine services in New Zealand in the past five years, broken down by DHB?*

The table below summarises the number of referrals received by the endocrine department at CCDHB by calendar year where the referral comments included combinations of words such as transition, gender affirming, transgender, gender dysphoria, male to female, female to male etc.

The calendar year 2019 is for the five month period January 2019 to May 2019.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Referrals	57	75	122	166	210	92
Unique Patients	51	71	99	132	164	88

Please note a patient may have more than one referral so the table also includes the number of unique individuals also.

The table below summarises the number of referrals received by the endocrine department at CCDHB by calendar and DHB of domicile.

Referral Type	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Canterbury DHB	1		1	2	1	
Capital and Coast DHB	36	58	88	135	171	75
Hawke's Bay DHB	1				1	1
Hutt Valley DHB	9	14	20	25	20	14
Lakes DHB					1	
MidCentral DHB	4	1	4	1	6	
Nelson Marlborough DHB	1	1				
South Canterbury DHB			1	1		
Southern DHB			2			
Taranaki DHB			1			
Waikato DHB			1	1	1	
Wairarapa DHB	4		2	1	9	1
Waitemata DHB						1
Whanganui DHB	1	1	2			
Grand Total	57	75	122	166	210	92

I hope this information addresses your query. You have a right to seek a review, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act, by way of a complaint to the Ombudsman, about the information that has been provided to you.

Kind regards



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