

Hi everyone

Health has received the attached OIA request from **Brodie Fraser**.

I have been advised that the Ministry is unable to provide the information requested regarding transgender individuals who have been referred to endocrine services (the fourth and fifth questions) and should instead be transferred to **all DHBs** for a response

Please find attached the following:

- A copy of our letter notifying the requester that their request is being transferred to you for response
- A copy of the original OIA request
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**This letter serves as a formal transfer of this request in accordance with section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).
Please confirm receipt of transfer.**

Request: [Link](#)

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Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

OIA Services

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From: Brodie Fraser <fyi-request-10544-5099d6b4@requests.fyi.org.nz>
To: OIA/LGOIMA requests at Ministry of Health <oiagr@moh.govt.nz>,
Date: 17/06/2019 01:18 p.m.
Subject: Official Information request - Gender reassignment surgery

Kia ora Ministry of Health,

1. How many, if any, surgeons in New Zealand perform sex reassignment surgery?
2. What, if any, types of sex reassignment surgery are performed in New Zealand, and what, if any, types are only performed overseas?
3. If there are any sex reassignment surgeries performed overseas, does the ministry intend to bring these services to New Zealand?
4. How many, if any, transgender individuals have been referred to endocrine services in New Zealand in the past five years, broken down by year?
5. How many, if any, transgender individuals have been referred to endocrine services in New Zealand in the past five years, broken down by DHB?
6. What, if any, is the size of the current waiting list for Male to Female surgeries?
7. What, if any, is the size of the current waiting list for Female to Male surgeries?
8. How long does the ministry anticipate it would take for everyone currently on the Male to Female waiting list to be seen?
How long does the ministry anticipate it would take for everyone currently on the Female to Male waiting list to be seen?

Ngā mihi,

Brodie Fraser

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To: Brodie Fraser <fyi-request-10544-5099d6b4@requests.fyi.org.nz>,
Cc: OIA/LGOIMA requests at Ministry of Health <oiagr@moh.govt.nz>
Date: 20/06/2019 11:37 a.m.
Subject: Re: Official Information request - Gender reassignment surgery H201904459
Sent by: Andrew Brady-Clark

Tēnā koe Brodie Fraser,

Partial Transfer of request for official information to All District Health Board.

Thank you for your request for official information, received on 17 June 2019 requesting:

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The Ministry does not hold the information you have requested regarding referrals to endocrine services in New Zealand. However, the Ministry has been advised that the information you have requested is more closely associated with the functions of the District Health Boards.

As a result, the Ministry of Health has decided to **transfer parts 4 and 5** of your request to the District Health Boards under section 14 of the Act.

You can expect a response to your request in due course.

Your remaining questions will be addressed by the Ministry of Health.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to transfer your request for information.

Sincerely

Andrew Brady-Clark
Senior Advisor

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