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Via FYI

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Dear Ms Fraser

Thank you for your request received via the Ministry of Health on 20 June 2019 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982, regarding transgender individuals. You requested:

1. *"How many, if any, transgender individuals have been referred to endocrine services in New Zealand in the past five years, broken down by year?"*
2. *"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 information pertaining to your request is below.

13 transgender individuals were referred to Hutt valley DHB Endocrine over the 2014-2018 years. We are unable to provide this data broken down by year as the numbers are so low it creates a risk of being able to identify individuals in relation to the information.

I trust this information fulfils your request.

You have the right to seek a review, under section 28(3) of the Act, by way of a complaint to the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fionnagh Dougan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Ms Fionnagh Dougan  
**Chief Executive**  
**Hutt Valley District Health Board**