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Dear Ms Hands

Re: Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request for information.

Thank you for your request for information received on 4 November 2014 seeking information regarding Hip Revision Surgeries. The following is in response to your questions. As you will note, we are unable to provide a number of answers to your questions.

1. **Procurement Policy for medical devices.** Attached is the Southern District Health Board's Policy on "Procurement and Purchasing Policy (District)" and the Southern District Health Board's "Tendering Policy (District)"
2. **Funding Policies for medical devices including when manufacturers will get paid (ie before surgery, upon receiving implant) with specific reference to custom devices.** This information is considered confidential between the Southern District Health Board and our manufacturers therefore no response is being provided.
3. **How many hip revision surgeries involving an acetabular component for each year for last 5 years 2012 in region? If not available just 2012.** Information is not available electronically.
4. **How many patients received a re-revision surgeries in the past five years? (ie it was their second or third + revision surgery).**

Number of patients having hip revision within the Southern DHB (acute and elective)	
Year	Number of patients
2009/2010	73
2010/2011	62
2011/2012	50
2012/2013	58
2013/2014	51

5. **How much was spent on acetabular implants in revision surgeries over each year for last five years? If not available just 2012.** Information is not available as we do not have a casemix costing system.
6. **What is the average costs of running an operating theatre per hour (minus staffing costs)?** There are a number of complexities and variables in determining these costs; we are unable to provide an accurate cost as we do not have a casemix costing system.
7. **Total operating theatre costs for revision surgeries in 2012?** As above
8. **On average how long does a revision hip arthroplasty take?** Available via theatre compass. The average time for a revision arthroplasty of a hip on the Southland site is 196 minutes. This data is not available for the Dunedin site due to different theatre data management systems.
9. **How much was spent on rehabilitation after hip revision in 2012?** Unable to provide an accurate cost as per above response.
10. **What is the cost of a day of rehabilitation for a hip surgery?** Unable to provide an accurate cost as per above response.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carole Heatly', written in a cursive style.

Carole Heatly
Chief Executive Officer