

16 November 2020

D Griffiths

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Dear D Griffiths

**Re: Official Information Act Request (OIA 2041)**

I refer to your Official Information Act request, received via transfer from the Ministry of Health, on 29 October 2020 in which you specifically requested the following:

**1. What is the maximum bed occupancy in ICU (intensive care units).**

The maximum bed occupancy for Dunedin ICU is 12 patients and the maximum bed occupancy for Invercargill ICU is 6 patients.

**2. What has been the bed occupancy rate (% of beds occupied in ICUs) by week / month (which ever time period data is available) for the period 15th March 2020 to 1st October 2020.**

Below is a table that represents the percent occupancy at 8:00 am each day averaged across the weeks:

Week Ending	Dunedin	Invercargill
15-Mar-20	77.38%	61.90%
22-Mar-20	71.43%	59.52%
29-Mar-20	54.76%	35.71%
05-Apr-20	39.29%	57.14%
12-Apr-20	35.71%	33.33%
19-Apr-20	51.19%	50.00%
26-Apr-20	65.48%	50.00%
03-May-20	60.71%	40.48%
10-May-20	55.95%	45.24%
17-May-20	59.52%	45.24%
24-May-20	50.00%	71.43%
31-May-20	60.71%	50.00%
07-Jun-20	70.24%	66.67%
14-Jun-20	57.14%	57.14%
21-Jun-20	64.29%	64.29%
28-Jun-20	71.43%	73.81%
05-Jul-20	63.10%	66.67%
12-Jul-20	64.29%	61.90%
19-Jul-20	63.10%	61.90%
26-Jul-20	77.38%	59.52%
02-Aug-20	65.48%	64.29%
09-Aug-20	66.67%	69.05%
16-Aug-20	77.38%	73.81%
23-Aug-20	79.76%	61.90%
30-Aug-20	80.95%	61.90%
06-Sep-20	70.24%	59.52%
13-Sep-20	59.52%	61.90%
20-Sep-20	63.10%	69.05%
27-Sep-20	52.38%	85.71%
04-Oct-20	69.05%	76.19%
11-Oct-20	79.76%	73.81%
18-Oct-20	69.05%	78.57%
25-Oct-20	76.19%	69.05%

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision by the Ombudsman. The Ombudsman's Office can be contacted on 0800 802 602 or on-line at <http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/>.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Fleming', written over a faint, light-colored signature line.

Chris Fleming  
**Chief Executive Officer**