

20 October 2021

E. Rich

By email to: fyi-request-16976-20d747f9@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear E. Rich

Re Official Information Request for Orthognathic Surgical Criteria for Adults Class III Malocclusion

I refer to your official information request dated 01 October 2021 for information about:

I am writing to request a report on how many patients have been provided with publicly funded orthognathic surgery each year, over the past 5 years from Auckland DBH as a total number. I would like this number to then be categorised into how many patients received orthognathic surgery for a Class III Malocclusion (Child and adult categorised).

Additionally, I would like to be provided with a list of the Cephalometric and OPG- X Ray measurement criteria that would qualify an adult patient with a Class III Malocclusion to receive publicly funded Orthognathic surgery (+/- Community Services Card).

Lastly, I would like to be provided with a list of criteria that establishes the waiting times for an adult requiring orthognathic surgery.

We have provided the information under each of your questions below.

- 1) I am writing to request a report on how many patients have been provided with publicly funded orthognathic surgery each year, over the past 5 years from Auckland DBH as a total number**

2016	20
2017	18
2018	25
2019	23
2020	15
Total	101

2) I would like this number to then be categorised into how many patients received orthognathic surgery for a Class III Malocclusion (Child and adult categorised).

Type	cleft palate	Syndrome	Cl 3	Cl 2
2016	9	6	2	3
2017	7	6	3	2
2018	13	5	4	3
2019	9	11	1	2
2020	7	4	2	2
Total	45	32	12	12
%	44.5	31.6	11.8	11.8

Approx 75% of patients have cleft palate or another craniofacial syndrome.
Approx 25% of patients have developmental dentofacial cl 2 or 3 deformity.
All patients have completed growth prior to undergoing surgery.
This list excludes trauma patients who do not require orthodontics but do require secondary reconstruction by means of orthognathic surgery.

3) I would like to be provided with a list of the Cephalometric and OPG- X Ray measurement criteria that would qualify an adult patient with a Class III Malocclusion to receive publicly funded Orthognathic surgery (+/- Community Services Card).

Attached

4) I would like to be provided with a list of criteria that establishes the waiting times for an adult requiring orthognathic surgery.

The pathway for orthodontic/orthognathic surgery is attached.

I trust this information answers your questions.

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours faithfully



Ailsa Claire, OBE
Chief Executive