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Tēnā koe Emma

Official Information Request- OIA 14379, Transfer re Outsourcing Elective Surgeries

The Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB) has received the transfer of your request from the Ministry of Health on 15 June 2022 under Section 14 of the OIA. You requested the following information:

1. The total number of procedures outsourced by year (including the year to date) for the past five years.
2. For each year, provide a breakdown of the type of procedure.
3. For each year, provide the total spend on outsourced elective surgeries.
4. For each year, provide the amount that these surgeries would have cost the DHBs if they had not been outsourced.

The Whanganui District Health Board response:

Whanganui DHB have not outsourced any elective surgical cases to other providers in the last five financial years.

Whanganui DHB have managed elective surgical wait lists accordingly and the need for outsourcing volumes has not arisen.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz

Ngā mihi



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