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Tēnā koe AS Van Wey

Notification of partial transfer regarding your request

I refer to your email of 6 March 2023, requesting information from Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology (Te Pūkenga) trading as Wintec under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

In relation to Wintec nursing students, you asked for information about procedural documents, placement, and their supervision and reporting of unethical conduct with regard to Te Whatu Ora Waikato (previously the Waikato District Health Board).

With reference to the sections of your request quoted below, we do not hold this information and believe it would be held by Te Whatu Ora Waikato and/or we believe it to be more closely connected with the functions of Te Whatu Ora. Therefore, under section 14(b) of the OIA we are transferring this part of your request to Te Whatu Ora:

I also request the following regarding nursing students who were placed at Waikato DHB during the time period from 15-16 May 2019.

The name of all physicians/staff who provided supervision of students at Waikato DHB to Te Pūkenga students (formerly Wintech), and their respective departments and qualifications.

In the event that students were observing patient/doctor interactions by a physician other than those who were the designated supervisor, the list of those physicians as well. For example, the student had an opportunity to observe or participate in a surgery where the supervising physician/staff member was not present.

The number of students (separated by year of study) allocated to each of the supervising physicians.

For each of the students during that two day period,

(a) the number of students who had participated in medical services in which a patient was sedated, and

(b) a detail of the medical services provided in which the patient was sedated (e.g., breast surgery, heart surgery, colonoscopy, anesthesiology, post-surgical recovery, etc.), and

(c) and the number of students who were present during each of those surgical procedures.

In the event that a student reported leaving a medical service during the time a patient was sedated, or observing another student leaving the medical service, the reason given by the student for why they or the other student left.

Te Whatu Ora will contact you in due course.

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA if you are not happy with this transfer. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi



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