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By email: fyi-request-22846-254b37ad@requests.fyi.org.nz Ref: H2023025599

## Tēnā koe Kate

## Transfer of your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 19 May 2023. You requested:

*"Information on the number of people who have been assessed and referred for a Bilateral Scrotal Orchidectomy, within the Auckland region (formerly Waitematā, Auckland, and Counties Manukau District Health Boards), who have not undergone the procedure yet.* 

When disclosing this information please ensure:

- That the number of cisgender men and transgender persons who are on this waitlist are shown separately, for the sake of contrast and comparison

- That the average wait time of both groups from date of referral to date of surgery is indicated

- That individuals who have been referred to a urology department but not yet been booked for the surgery, as well as individuals who have been booked in but have yet to receive the operation, are included (these do not need to be shown separately) Additionally, please include the number of orchidectomies that have been performed each year from 2018 to the present day and, if possible, separate these figures by gender identity (ie. into categories of 'cisgender' and 'transgender') as well."

The requested information is more closely connected to the functions of Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand. For this reason, I have decided to transfer your request to their agency under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act. You can expect a response from Te Whatu Ora in due course.

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: <u>info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku npa, na

*ll*'an Tørres Manager, OIA Services Government and Executive Services | Te Pou Whakatere Kāwanatanga

## **COPY OF OIA REQUEST**

From: Kate Popham <fyi-request-22846-254b37ad@requests.fyi.org.nz>
Sent: Friday, 19 May 2023 00:02
To: OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>
Subject: Official Information request - Waitlist for Orchidectomy within Auckland Region

Dear Ministry of Health,

I'm writing to request, under the Official Information Act 1982, information on the number of people who have been assessed and referred for a Bilateral Scrotal Orchidectomy, within the Auckland region (formerly Waitematā, Auckland, and Counties Manukau District Health Boards), who have not undergone the procedure yet.

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Additionally, please include the number of orchidectomies that have been performed each year from 2018 to the present day and, if possible, separate these figures by gender identity (ie. into categories of 'cisgender' and 'transgender') as well.

Ngā mihi nui, Kate Popham