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Kia ora GOHS

I refer to your information request dated 15 June 2023 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), which you subsequently revised on 16 June 2023 as follows:

*I would like to request admission scores for entry to the MBChB and BDS programmes via the HSFY international category for 2018-2023. Please exclude those who had a preconditional offer to enter into MbCHb and BDS.*

Please find below our response to your request.

HSFY International applicants, highest academic score not to receive an offer:

Year	MBChB	BDS
2018	70.30	88.43
2019	68.15	80.00
2020	91.14	82.71
2021	86.43	94.57
2022	72.29	94.00
2023	<5	<5

In respect of 2023, there were fewer than five unsuccessful candidates in this category. We have determined that it is necessary to withhold the specific score in respect of this category, in order to protect the privacy and wellbeing of these students. We consider that withholding this information is necessary to protect against the identity of these students being determined or inferred, and their personal information (i.e. their marks) could be disclosed. We therefore withhold this information pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

Student Administration has provided the following notes in respect of this data:

- Academic score is not the sole determinant of application outcome. The above information does not imply that all successful applicants had higher scores.
- If an application is assessed to be ineligible, they may not have received an academic score. These applications would therefore not be included in the above data.
- The scores above are for those who did not receive an offer for the programme—there may be applicants with higher scores who did receive an offer but did not enter the programme, and may not therefore be considered successful.

I trust that this information will be helpful. In the above cases, we consider that good reasons exist for withholding information, and this is not outweighed by other considerations which would make it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

If you are not satisfied with our response to your information request, section 28(3) of the Act provides you with the right to ask an Ombudsman to investigate and review this response. However, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss any concerns with you first.

Ngā mihi

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