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Dear Karyn

RE Official information request CDHB 9654

I refer to your email dated 4 July 2017 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB pertaining to security cameras within mental health inpatient units.

1. Does the "Te Awakura" inpatient unit currently have security cameras operating within the hospital area?

I am defining hospital area as **including**: the reception area, main patient leisure areas, occupational therapy spaces, seclusion rooms, and intensive care or high dependency areas.

This **excludes** any cameras operating outside of the inpatient unit treatment areas such as car parks, public hospital grounds.

2. If the inpatient unit does have cameras operating may you please provide the following information?

2. a) When were the cameras installed?
2. b) Where are the cameras are located?
2. c) How many cameras are operating?
2. d) "Seclusion, Restraint, and Assault" reporting data for one year prior to the installation of any security cameras.
2. e) "Seclusion, Restraint, and Assault" reporting data for one year after the installation of any security cameras.

There are four cameras located within the perimeters of Te Awakura Adult Inpatient Unit, one of these is outside the front entrance, another overlooks the loading bay and there are two cameras overlooking the reception area. None of these cameras are currently operational or linked to the CCTV system.

We have been unable to find any documentation relating to the installation of these cameras and cannot reliably provide this detail.

As these cameras have not been operational for an indeterminate period of time, we are unable to provide data comparing pre and post installation as requested.

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

Yours sincerely



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