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Dear Marie

**RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10047**

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 2 March 2019 and received in our office this morning requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

**1. For each of the past three years ending June 2016, June 2017 and June 2018 what was the DHBs Rural Adjuster funding component of the PBFF funding pool?**

**2. Does the DHB fund and provide rural hospital services?**

**If Yes, continue to answer questions 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3. If no, go to question 3**

**2.1 Provide the following information about the rural hospitals in your DHB.**

**If there are none, please report this.**

- **Name or location of hospital**
- **List of services the hospital provides**
- **The business structure of the hospital eg DHB owned and operated / NGO or Iwi owned and operated**
- **Annual Budget**

**2.2 How is the annual budget for each of the rural hospitals listed in the table in 2.1 set?**

**2.3 How does the DHB apply the annual rural adjuster funding to the benefit of each of the rural hospitals listed in the table in question 2.1?**

**3. Does the DHB fund and provide rural community services?**

**If yes, continue to answer questions 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3. If no, go to question 3**

**3.1 Provide the following information about the rural community services in your DHB.**

**If there are none, please report this.**

- **Location of services**
- **List of Community services in each location**
- **The business structure of the service provider eg DHB owned and operated / NGO or Iwi owned and operated**
- **Annual Budget.**

**3.2 How is the annual budget for the community services listed in the table in 3.1 set?**

**3.3 How does the DHB apply the annual rural adjuster funding to the benefit of each of the rural community listed in the table in question 3.1?**

15 Decisions on requests

(1) Subject to this Act, the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation to whom a request is made in accordance with [section 12](#) or is transferred in accordance with [section 14](#) of this Act or [section 12](#) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any case not later than 20 working days after the day on which the request is received by that department or Minister of the Crown or organisation,—

(1)(a) decide whether the request is to be granted and, if it is to be granted, in what manner and for what charge (if any); and

(1)(b) give or post to the person who made the request notice of the decision on the request

[If we are unable to make a decision on your request by the date noted above, we will notify you of an extension of that timeframe.]

**4. For each of the past three years, under each of the components of the Rural Adjuster, quantify the allocation of Rural Adjuster funding through the DHBs contracts with its contracted providers or Service Level Alliance Teams.**

- **Small hospital facilities**
- **Community services**
- **Offshore Islands**
- **Travel and Accommodation**
- **Inter hospital transfers**
- **Governance**
- **Rural GP/PHO payments**

**5. i. Does the DHB include reporting requirements specific to the use of rural adjuster funding in its contracts with service providers whose contract includes rural adjuster funding.**

**ii. If yes, provide a list of the reporting requirements included in the DHB contracts with these providers.**

We will consider your request against the provisions of the Official Information Act (see below) and advise you of our decision regarding the release of information within 20 working days (being the statutory timeframe provided within the Act.)

Accordingly, we will notify you, no later than 1 April 2019, of our decision.

Your request is being handled by Kathleen Smitheram. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact either myself (details above) or Kathleen. ([Kathleen.smitheram@cdhb.health.nz](mailto:Kathleen.smitheram@cdhb.health.nz); Phone 364-4134). Please refer to the OIA number above when phoning or emailing.

If any additional factors come to light which are relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that these can be taken into account.

Yours sincerely



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Project Specialist

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