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RE Official Information Act request WCDHB 9119

I refer to your letter received in our office on 17 April 2018 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB.

For both the 2016 and 2017 financial years (to 30 June 2016 and 30 June 2017):

- 1. How many orthopaedic registrars on the training programme (FTE and headcount) were employed by your DHB?
- 2. How many non-training registrars working in orthopaedics (FTE and headcount) were employed by your DHB?

There are no orthopaedic registrars employed by West Coast DHB. West Coast DHB has just one resident orthopaedic surgeon (0,6 FTE); with additional orthopaedic specialist support provided by surgeons employed by Canterbury DHB who visit the West Coast on a regular schedule as part of a trans-alpine service model of care.

- 3. The number of acute orthopaedic inpatient discharges, including day stays?
- 4. The number of elective orthopaedic inpatient discharges, including day stays?

The number of publicly-funded orthopaedic inpatient and day patients discharged from West Coast DHB (Grey Base Hospital) during the 2015/16 and 2016/17 financial years are as follows:

	Acute Orthopaedic Discharges		Elective Orthopaedic Discharges	
	Discharges	Total Days Stay	Discharges	Total Days Stay
2015/16	254	650	207	388
2016/17	202	536	195	321

- 5. The number of first specialist assessments and follow up activities undertaken:
- 6. The number of facture clinic presentations:

West Coast DHB operates orthopaedic outpatient clinics, which includes some fracture patient presentations without delineation. We also operate a musculoskeletal clinic. Volumes of First Specialist Assessment (FSA) and Follow-up attendances at these clinic types during the 2015/16 and 2016/17 financial years are as follows in **Table one**:

Table one:

Financial year	Orthopaedic Clinic Outpatients		Musculoskeletal Clinic Outpatients	
	FSA	Follow-up	FSA	Follow-up
2015/16	319	919	199	48
2016/17	246	680	229	55

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the West Coast DHB website.

Yours sincerely

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