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RE: OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST WCDHB 9397

I refer to your email dated 21 February 2020 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB.

- 1. Total number of patients referred to and seen by Medical Oncology and Radiation Oncology specialities within specified time. Please provide the data from July 2019 to present by month (Attachment 1).**

Please find attached as **Appendix 1 (Attachment 1)**.

- 2. Number of patients who underwent surgery for colorectal cancer and waiting time. Please provide the data from July 2019 to present by month (Attachment 2).**

Please find attached as **Appendix 1 (Attachment 2)**.

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 after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

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West Coast DHB Cancer Patients treated at Canterbury DHB

Attachment 1: Total number of patients referred to and seen by Medical Oncology and Radiation Oncology specialties and waiting time

Month	Speciality	Total number of patients with referrals received by named specialty this month	Total number of patients seen this month	Total number of patients seen where referral is first to Oncology for this current condition*	Number seen this month who waited 0-7 days from receipt of referral	Number seen who waited 8-14 days from receipt of referral	Number seen who waited 15-28 days from receipt of referral	Number seen who waited 29 or more days from receipt of referral	Number removed from waiting list because of death or major clinical deterioration
Jul-19	Medical Oncology	7	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
	Radiation Oncology	10	7	7	1	1	4	1	1
Aug-19	Medical Oncology	12	8	7	1	3	3	0	0
	Radiation Oncology	12	12	8	1	2	4	1	0
Sep-19	Medical Oncology	8	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
	Radiation Oncology	5	4	3	1	0	2	0	0
Oct-19	Medical Oncology	6	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
	Radiation Oncology	7	7	4	2	1	0	1	1
Nov-19	Medical Oncology	5	3	3	1	0	2	0	0
	Radiation Oncology	9	5	4	0	1	2	1	0
Dec-19	Medical Oncology	5	2	2	0	1	0	1	0
	Radiation Oncology	10	9	7	2	1	2	2	0
Jan-20	Medical Oncology	8	4	4	1	0	1	2	0
	Radiation Oncology	5	3	3	0	1	2	0	0

*Note: Many Oncology referrals will be for both MO & RO therefore this column represents the the total where the patient was seen for the first time in Oncology for their current condition

Attachment 2: Number of patients who underwent surgery for colorectal cancer and waiting time

Month	Number of patients that underwent surgery for colorectal cancer this month	Number of patients who underwent surgery as first treatment (ie did not receive pre-operative chemotherapy or radiation)	Number of Patients who had a colonoscopy* at Canterbury DHB Prior to Surgery**	Number of those patients who had surgery as first treatment and had colonoscopy* within 28 days prior to surgery (within 4 weeks)	Number of those patients who had surgery as first treatment and had colonoscopy* between 29 and 42 days prior to surgery (4-6 weeks)	Number of those patients who had surgery as first treatment and had colonoscopy* between 43 and 56 days prior to surgery (6-8 weeks)	Number of those patients who had surgery as first treatment and had colonoscopy* 57 or more days prior to surgery (more than 8 weeks)
Jul-19	2	2	1	1	0	0	0
Aug-19	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Sep-19	5	3	0	0	0	0	0
Oct-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec-19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jan-20	2	1	0	0	0	0	0

*Note: Colonoscopy includes flexible sigmoidoscopy

*Note: Patients who did not have colonoscopy at CDHB prior to surgery either had the scope done at another DHB, went private, or were admitted acutely