

West Coast District Health Board

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9(2)(a)

RE Official information request WCDHB 9474

I refer to your letter dated 15 September 2020 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB. Specifically:

1. The actual number of Occupational Therapists - i.e. headcount.

There are nine Occupational Therapists are employed by the West Coast DHB. Note: Occupational Therapists are defined as those working under the Occupation Code 2412-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST.

2. The number of occupational therapists on each salary step.

Salary Step	\$\$\$	Number of Employees
1	\$53,335.00	
2	\$58,002.00	
3	\$64,671.00	
4	\$67,337.00	
5	\$72,005.00	9
6	\$75,078.00	
7	\$77,330.00	
8	\$80,292.00	
9	\$82,299.00	

Table one:

Due to the very low overall headcount, no further breakdowns will be provided to preserve individual employee confidentiality. (declined pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act).

- 3. The amount of annual leave taken by Occupational Therapists in 2018.
- 4. The amount of annual leave taken by Occupational Therapists in 2019.

The amount of annual leave taken by Occupational Therapists in 2018 was 1,132.0 hours and 760.5 hours in 2019.

- 5. In regard to continuing professional development for DHB employed Occupational **Therapists:**
 - a. The total budget for CPD and amount spent for the 2018/19 financial year.
 - b. The total budget for CPD and amount spent for the 2019/20 financial year.

Please refer to Table two (overleaf) for our response for question 5a and 5b.

Table two:

	Budget	Training Spend
Jul-18 to Jun-19	2,772.63	714.45
Jul-19 to June-20	2,860.49	230.85

c. The amount of days approved and taken as CPD/study leave in 2018.

The total number of days approved and taken as CPD/study leave by West Coast DHB employed Occupational Therapists in 2018 was 15 days (assuming 8 working hours a day).

d. The amount of days approved and taken as CPD/study leave in 2019.

The total number of days approved and taken as CPD/study leave by West Coast DHB employed Occupational Therapists in 2019 was 1.8 days (assuming 8 working hours a day)

I trust 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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