



West Coast District Health Board

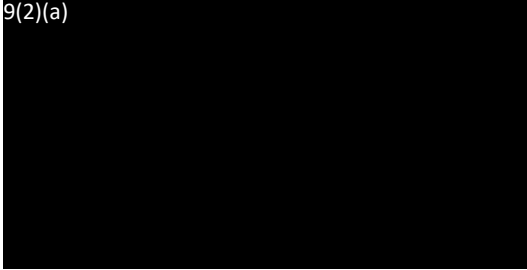
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RE Official Information Act request WCDHB 9632

I refer to your email dated 12 November 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB regarding Buller Health Centre staffing.

Staffing at Buller Health includes the general practice (Buller Medical), Foote Ward, Community Nursing, Mental Health, Allied Health, and Buller Health administration staff. For the purpose of this request, we have included all permanent and casual employees throughout the whole of the facility within these services. Excluded are staff in Karamea, Ngakawau and Reefton.

1. How many staff are expected to be required at Buller Health when the new health centre opens (itemised please, ie nurses, doctors, allied health)?

Staffing levels at the new Health Centre are expected to be the same as current levels indicated below, Q2.

2. How many staff are currently employed by Buller Health (also itemised please)?

As at 31 October 2021 there were five Doctors, 52 Nurses, 13 Administration and 13 Allied Health employees.

3. What are the expected Buller Health employment costs once the new health centre opens?

Employment costs at the new health centre are expected to be at current levels indicated in Q4 below.

4. What are Buller Health's current employment costs?

Total employment costs for the Year Ended 30 June 2021 for Buller Health was \$6,389,790 which includes all Medical, Nursing, Allied and Administration employees.

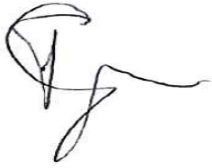
5. If staff redundancies are expected following the opening of the new centre, how much has the DHB budgeted for redundancy costs?

There are no redundancies expected with the opening of the new centre therefore there is no budget for this.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Tracey Maisey', with a stylized, flowing script.

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