10 December 2021



RE Official Information Act request WCDHB 9640

I refer to your email dated 24 November 2021 to the Ministry of Health which they subsequently transferred to us on 2 December 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB. Specifically:

1. The percentage of patients that have been declined referrals from multiple internal and external requests for gastro-intestinal department (Multiple being more than 3 separate GP/Doctor referrals). I note your clarification received 3 December 2021 advising the time frame of request is between 1 January 2010 and 1 November 2021.

This request is not applicable for the West Coast DHB. We do not have a gastro-intestinal department.

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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