29 June 2022



**RE Official Information Act request WCDHB 9712** 

I refer to your email dated 16 June 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB regarding bowel screening procedures, including colonoscopy and CT colonography: Specifically:

- 1. The first figure is the external cost of bowel screening in the three years BEFORE your DHB joined the National Bowel Screening Programme.
  - a. In those same years, please also provide the number of procedures done externally (as opposed to in-house DHB services).

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- 2. The second figures is the external cost of bowel screening every year AFTER your DHB joined the National Bowel Screening Programme.
  - a. Please also provide the number of procedures done externally (as opposed to in-house DHB services).

Please provide these figures by financial year, as a single dollar amount, excluding GST. If this work is covered within existing external contracts, please estimate the annual cost.

We have had no external cost of provision and done no procedures externally.

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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