

24 January 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

**Re: OIA request – Amount paid to RMO locums through agencies/bureaus**

Thank you for your Official Information Act request received 10 December 2021.

In response, we are able to provide the following information:

- 1. The amount paid to RMO locums hired through agencies or bureaus outside of the management of the DHB (i.e. not including casual employees of the DHB) in the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 and 1 April 2021 to 31 October 2021.**

The amount paid to RMO locums hired through agencies/bureaus outside of the management of Waitematā DHB for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 and 1 April 2021 to 31 October 2021 was zero dollars (\$0) for both periods.

- 2. The amount paid to RMO locums hired through the locum bureau managed by the three DHBs or the Northern Regional Alliance (NRA) in the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 and 1 April 2021 to 31 October 2021.**

The amount paid to RMO locums hired for Waitematā DHB through the shared locum bureau for the three metro Auckland DHBs (Auckland, Waitematā and Counties Manukau), the NRA for these time periods is as follows:

**Table: Amount paid to RMO locums hired through locum bureau for Waitematā DHB**

Period	Amount paid \$
1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021	575,836
1 April 2021 to 31 October 2021	156,827
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$732,663</b>

To provide context, when based on our workforce expenditure of \$846million for the 2021 financial year and calculated over a 19-month period, the amount above equates to around 0.055% of the total spend.

I trust that this information is helpful.

Waitematā DHB supports the open disclosure of information to assist community understanding of how we are delivering publicly funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released.

If you consider there are good reasons why this response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider your views.

Yours sincerely



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