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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

**Your Official Information Act request, reference: HN3571 – Radiology equipment**

Thank you for your Official Information Act request received Friday 2 September seeking information from Te Whatu Ora - Health New Zealand Waitematā about our radiology equipment (specifically MRI & CT).

Before responding to your specific questions, it may be useful to provide some context about our services. Waitematā is the largest and one of the most rapidly growing health districts in the country, serving a population of around 650,000 across the North Shore, Waitakere and Rodney areas. We are the largest employer in the district, employing more than 8,900 people across more than 80 locations.

In addition to providing care to our own resident population, we are the Northern Region provider of forensic mental health services and child rehabilitation services, plus the metro Auckland provider of child community dental services and community alcohol and drug services.

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

- **Number of MRI machines within your DHB (split by number per hospital, if relevant).**
- **Number of CT scanners within your DHB (split by number per hospital, if relevant).**
- **The year in which each of your MRI machines was purchased (in order to calculate age of machine).**
- **The year in which each of your CT scanners was purchased (in order to calculate age of machine).**

**CT**

North Shore Hospital has three CT scanners. These were purchased and installed in 2011, 2015 and 2019. Waitākere Hospital has two CT scanners purchased and installed in 2017 and 2018.

**MRI**

North Shore has two MRI scanners, purchased in 2007 and 2014. The 2007 scanner was purchased from a private provider and was five years old at the time.

The scanner purchased in 2007 has undergone a number of upgrades, including a large upgrade in 2014 that included hardware and software, bringing this in-line with a new machine installation.

Since 2014, there have been further software upgrades for both scanners.

I trust that this information is helpful.

Waitematā 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.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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