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Dear 

Re: OIA request – Number of prefabricated buildings used in hospitals

Thank you for your Official Information Act request transferred from the Ministry of Health (MoH) on 18 August 2020, seeking information from Waitematā District Health Board (DHB) about the number of prefabricated buildings in use at our hospitals.

Before responding to your specific questions, it may be useful to provide some context about our services.

Waitematā DHB serves a population of more than 630,000 across the North Shore, Waitakere and Rodney areas, the largest and one of the most rapidly growing DHBs in the country. We are the largest employer in the district, employing around 8,500 people across more than 80 locations.

In addition to providing services to our own population, we are also the metropolitan Auckland provider of forensic psychiatry, child disability services, child community dental services and community alcohol and drug services.

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

1. The number of prefabricated buildings currently in use at hospitals.

Prefabricated buildings are those which are built off-site, completed and transported in whole to a final location. We are providing details of prefabricated building on our two main hospital campus sites at North Shore and Waitakere.

How building spaces, including prefabricated buildings, are best used across Waitematā DHB is part of the strategic management and development of all services. This takes in to consideration optimal operational frameworks including workforce structure, patient flow and the future planning of clinical and non-clinical support services.

There are four prefabricated buildings on Waitematā DHB hospital sites, all being located on the North Shore Hospital campus which are used for the following:

1. Nutrition and Dietetic Services administration.
2. Haematology department administration.

3. Transportable Renal, used for one-on-one patient consultations.
4. Institute for Innovation and Improvement (i3) project office.

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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