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Dear

Re: OIA request - Aged Residential Care

Thank you for your Official Information Act request received 15 January 2021 seeking information from Waitematā District Health Board (DHB) about Aged Residential Care (ARC).

Under the Official Information Act, I request the following information on admissions to aged residential care:

 Does Waitematā DHB have goals, targets, or objectives for current or future admissions to Aged Residential Care? These targets could be expressed in terms of an absolute numbers, annual percentage changes, or changes in age-specific ARC utilisation rates.

If the answer is yes, could you please supply documents or links to web pages and documents.

All individuals assessed as eligible for ARC by Waitematā DHB's Needs Assessment and Service Coordination (NASC) are able to enter an ARC facility of their choice. Waitematā DHB does not have goals, targets or objectives for current or future admissions to Aged Residential Care (ARC).

2. Has Waitematā DHB analysed the cost of providing home support to older people with high or complex needs compared to the cost of funding them in aged residential care? As an indication, we are referring to older people with scores of 4 or 5 on the interRAI MAPLE scale, or 2 or above on the ADL Hierarchy scale, in their most recent interRAI Home Care assessment.

If the answer is yes, could you please provide a copy of the report. If that is not possible, please provide:

- The name of the study or report
- when it was completed (most recently if there have been several)
- a brief outline of the scope of the study
- the principal findings of the study.

Waitematā DHB has not analysed the cost of providing home support to older people with high or complex needs compared to the cost of funding them in ARC.

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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