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Dear [REDACTED]

Re: OIA request – Smoking statistics

Thank you for your Official Information Act request received 24 August 2020 seeking information from Waitematā District Health Board (DHB) about smoking statistics.

We provided a response to you on 17 September 2020. You contacted us again on 28 November to request the following:

I am concerned that the tables do not include the totals for each year. I want to make sure I am using data that Waitematā DHB has sent me rather than that which I have to calculate the totals.

Please send me a copy of the data with the totals for each year.

We note that your previous request sought:

Total number of smokers by ethnicity in the DHB Mental Health and Addictions ward/s (including forensics).

Waitematā DHB provided a detailed breakdown as per your request but we now also include 'total' columns.

The figures below reflect our increasing population as well as increasing numbers of inpatient admissions. The increase in the number of patients receiving help and advice has resulted in a steady decrease in the overall smoking rate reported for hospitalised smokers from 17% in 2011 to 11% in 2019.

The Māori hospitalised smokers' rate has improved significantly from 41% reported in 2011 to 30% reported in 2019. Improving Māori outcomes with a focus to address health inequities between Māori and non-Māori remains a priority which requires our Smokefree service to continue to align practice with te reo me ōna tikanga Māori.

In response to your request, we can provide the following updated information which includes the totals for each table:

In relation to Waitematā DHB, please supply the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 for each of the years 2009 – 2020 being quarters one and two.

- 1. Smoking status (inpatient) - Total number of smokers by ethnicity in the DHB mental health and addictions ward/s (including forensics)**

The information below includes the following inpatient facilities:

Service	Inpatient unit
Adult Acute Mental Health Services West	Waiatarau
Adult Acute Mental Health Services North	He Puna Waiora
Regional Forensic Psychiatry Services	Mason Clinic
Mental Health Services for Older Adults	Kingsley Mortimer Unit
Community Alcohol and Drug Services	Pitman House

Calendar Year	Asian	European	Māori	Pacific People	Other	Total
2009	9	32	32	15	6	94
2010	18	26	40	17	10	111
2011	15	28	35	22	11	111
2012	16	35	37	20	14	122
2013	14	26	33	21	13	107
2014	12	28	33	20	12	105
2015	18	31	33	25	9	116
2016	14	29	36	20	15	114
2017	20	29	31	20	15	115
2018	14	27	28	21	12	102
2019	16	25	29	23	10	103
2020 to June 30	8	13	14	7	5	47

2. Admissions (inpatient) - Total number of admissions by ethnicity to the DHB mental health and addictions ward/s (including forensics)

The information below includes inpatient facilities as listed in response to question one.

Calendar Year	Asian	European	Māori	Pacific People	Other	Total
2009	75	926	315	62	36	1,414
2010	87	976	361	87	33	1,544
2011	96	1,025	366	103	35	1,625
2012	103	1,104	354	93	44	1,698
2013	99	1,115	408	129	38	1,789
2014	108	1,153	428	99	47	1,835
2015	124	1,224	366	104	44	1,862
2016	118	1,151	422	95	60	1,846
2017	153	1,180	341	118	60	1,852
2018	134	1,187	365	101	60	1,847
2019	152	1,101	414	119	50	1,836
2020 to June 30	76	503	162	54	14	809

3. Smoking status (inpatient) - Total number of inpatient smokers by ethnicity in the DHB general hospital/s wards including elderly

The information below includes the following general hospital wards:

- North Shore Hospital
 - 12 medical wards
 - 7 surgical wards
 - 3 Child Women and Family wards.
- Waitakere Hospital
 - 7 medical wards
 - 5 Child Women and Family wards.

Calendar Year	Asian	European	Māori	Pacific People	Other	Total
2009	353	5,534	1,847	618	235	8,587
2010	465	7,217	2,622	904	279	11,487
2011	623	8,704	3,211	1,128	328	13,994
2012	567	8,239	3,060	999	263	13,128

2013	584	7,883	2,951	1,073	291	12,782
2014	648	8,155	2,941	1,082	287	13,113
2015	560	7,411	3,007	1,046	266	12,290
2016	718	7,922	3,116	1,061	263	13,080
2017	720	7,465	3,144	1,158	302	12,789
2018	745	6,842	3,063	1,084	296	12,030
2019	654	6,421	3,001	1,148	257	11,481
2020 to June 30	346	2,885	1,453	569	100	5,353

4. Admissions (inpatient) - Total number of admissions by ethnicity to the DHB general hospital/s wards including elderly

Please note the data below includes the hospitals and wards listed in response to question three.

Calendar Year	Asian	European	Māori	Pacific People	Other	Total
2009	6,362	54,108	6,965	4,947	2,288	74,670
2010	6,493	52,106	6,884	4,886	2,091	72,460
2011	8,148	61,962	8,006	5,583	2,351	86,050
2012	8,840	62,476	7,806	5,491	2,284	86,897
2013	9,330	65,691	8,052	5,729	2,455	91,257
2014	11,665	69,794	8,446	6,407	2,610	98,922
2015	11,678	68,367	9,106	6,464	2,726	98,341
2016	13,215	71,525	9,503	6,963	2,796	104,002
2017	14,143	73,939	9,939	7,257	3,076	108,354
2018	14,293	72,234	10,183	7,552	2,924	107,186
2019	15,184	71,344	10,156	7,681	2,765	107,130
2020 to June 30	7,316	33,694	4,986	3,752	1,233	50,981

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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