

## **Hospital Services**

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Dear

Re: Official Information Act request – injury and death related to heat and sun-stroke

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received 26 January 2019, seeking information from Waitemata District Health Board (DHB) as below:

 Recorded cases of organ failure; brain damage; and death related to heat-stroke and/or sun-stroke by the DHB in the calendar years (January 1 to December 31) in 2014, 15, 16, 17 and 2018, broken down by year and type of injury.

In response to your request, we can advise that while our DHB has had a small number of presentations due to heat and sun-stroke in each year covered by your request, none of these resulted in organ failure, brain damage or death.

I trust that this information meets your requirements. Waitemata DHB, like other agencies across the state sector, supports the open disclosure of information to assist the public's 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 feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider this.

Yours sincerely

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**Acting Director of Hospital Services** 

**Waitemata District Health Board**