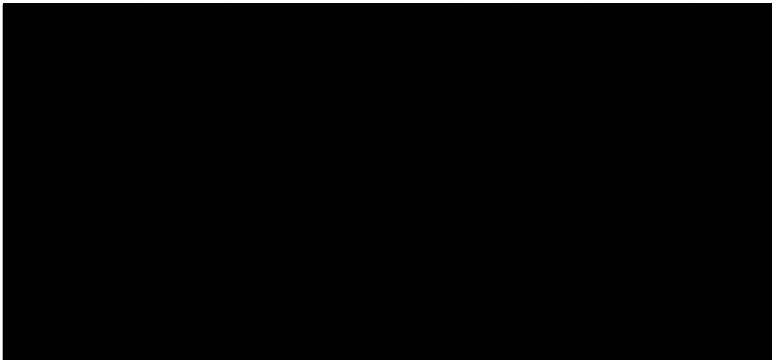


27 October 2020



Re: Official Information Request – Application to MoH for patient/clinical services

I refer to your official information request dated 1 October 2020 to the MoH requesting the following information:

Under the OIA may I please find out whether the DHB has applied to the MoH to:

- increase patient/client capacity
- transfer current clinical services
- provide a new clinical service
- a new build
- a combination of the above.

In the past 12 months, and whether this has been approved or denied.

In the past twelve months to 30 August 2020, Auckland DHB has submitted the following capital business cases:

- Building for the Future Program Business case – not yet approved
- Building for the Future Tranche 1 – Additional Operating rooms and bed capacity at Greenlane – not yet approved
- Building for the Future Tranche 1 – Starship Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) Bed Expansion and Atrium Redevelopment – funding allocated and business case pending approval
- Facilities Infrastructure Remediation Program Tranche 2 – This improves capacity of the hospital infrastructure to accommodate future expansion of building facilities – approved

Auckland DHB has noted all our service changes in our annual plans. The 19/20 annual plan is available on our website and we are still awaiting the Minister's approval of our 20/21 plan.

From March 2020, due to COVID-19 travel and border restrictions, the ability for patients to travel between Australia and New Zealand for PRRT (177Lu-Dotatate) for the treatment of neuroendocrine tumours (NET) became logistically complex and clinically risky. Auckland DHB made an application to the Ministry for Auckland DHB to provide this service for an interim period until the New Zealand service is established. This application was approved.

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours faithfully



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