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Re: Official Information Request – Children admitted to Starship with medical events

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 13 September 2021 requesting the following information:

All information in regards to children been admitted to Starship Hospital with medical events please in the last 4 weeks. Any admissions with signs of myocarditis, heart attack post Covid vaccine administration and reports of death also in young teenage girls just recently.

Response

Auckland DHB maintains data based on discharges. There were no discharges from Paediatric Cardiology with those diagnoses in August 2021. Discharge information for September is in the process of being coded; your request for data for the 13 days of September covered by your OIA request will therefore need to be deferred until information is available. Please confirm this is acceptable to you.

There were no deaths in the same August 2021 period for which we have data. We will review the data for the 13 days of September as above when the data becomes available.

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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