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Re: Official Information Act request – Sign Language Interpreter Data - ADHB Ref: 20220223-1196

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 9 March transferred to Auckland DHB 29 March requesting the following information:

The number of times NZ Sign Language Interpreters were booked (Successful and Unsuccessful) for Dr appointments in each DHB each week over the period of 1 year Feb 2021 to Feb 2022?

Would it have the type of Dr appointments by medical field or location (e.g. hospital or general practice) appointments that used NZSL Interpreters?

Response

- 1. The number of times NZ Sign Language Interpreters were booked (Successful and Unsuccessful) for Dr appointments in each DHB each week over the period of 1 year Feb 2021 to Feb 2022?
- 2. Would it have the type of Dr appointments by medical field or location (e.g. hospital or general practice) appointments that used NZSL Interpreters?

Please see the attached Attachment 1. Sign Language Interpreter Data. Note this data is Feb 2021 to Feb 2022 as requested. It is therefore 13 months not one year.

We trust you find this information useful.

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 sincerely,

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Encl. Attachment 1. Sign Language Interpreter Data.