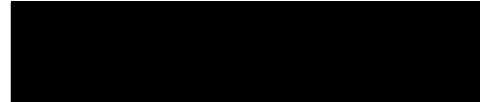
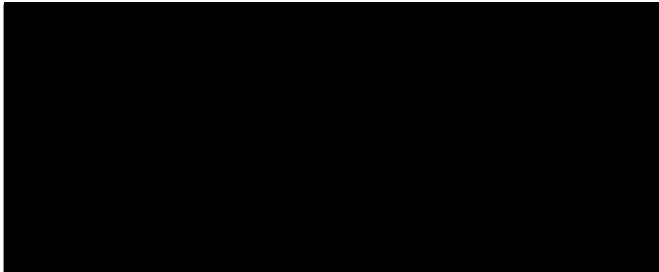


08 November 2018



**Re Official Information Request for financial losses recorded due to theft**

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 10 October 2018 for the following information:

- *The total financial losses recorded due to theft at Auckland City Hospital in each of the last three financial years;*
- *The total financial losses recorded due to theft at Starship Children's Hospital in each of the last three financial years.*

*I also request the following for context;*

- *A full breakdown of items stolen from each hospitals, over the same timeframe, showing the dollar amount.*

Financial losses incurred by the Auckland DHB and Starship Children's Hospitals due to theft do not feature in the published annual accounts of the Auckland DHB for the last three years requested, being 2017/2016, 2016/2015, 2015/2014. Losses reported during those periods relate to bad debts and loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment.

In relation to your second request for a full breakdown of items stolen from each hospital over the same time frame showing the dollar amount, I can advise that the information you seek does not exist and is refused under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act.

For your information I have enclosed a summary of suspected thefts reported for April 2017 through to the 2018-2019 year.

Subject of suspected theft	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	Total
Patient	0	4	2	6
Worker	3	14	1	18
Public/Visitor	1	16	2	19
Organisation	3	4	4	11
Total	7	38	9	54

Note that Datix went live on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 so there is only 3 months of Data in the 2016/2017 year. Likewise, there is only four months' worth of data in the 2018/2019 year.

You are entitled under the Official Information Act section 28(3) to seek a review of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://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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Chief Executive