

29 November 2018

Re Official Information Request for mental health staff leaving the DHB

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 7 November 2018 for the following information:

How many staff members in your mental health services department have left over the past five years, along with how many of these were resignations.

In the past five years from 1 November 2013 until 31 October 2018, 468 people left the Mental Health Services Department. Of those, 442 were voluntary resignations.

This number excludes internal transfers and non-permanent employees such as casual and those on a fixed term.

Our average voluntary turnover rate for this period is 11.7%.

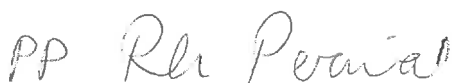
In the same period, we recruited a total of **683** employees. If we exclude registrars, contractors and casual employees, our recruitment total is **584** and this may include fixed term employees.

I trust this information answers your questions.

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 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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