

17 March 2020

Re Official Information Request – Costs Related to Whakaari/White Island

I refer to your official information request dated 25 February 2020 requesting the following information.

I am seeking the following information under the Official Information Act:

The direct costs to the DHB relating to the Whakaari/White Island incident

- **broken down by total figure;**
- **a break down of where the costs were lost from, (including but not exclusive to: cancelling elective surgeries, having to reschedule outpatient appointments, equipment needed, additional staffing hours)**

The direct costs for Auckland District Health Board relating to the Whakaari/White Island incident are as follows:

- Costs of treatment for two hospital admissions \$15,564
- Costs of coronial services \$28,246

Total \$43,810

I trust this information answers your questions.

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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Chief Executive