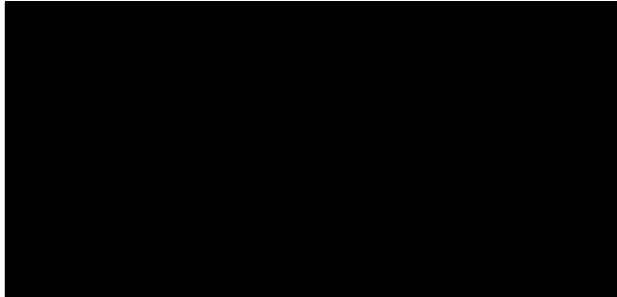


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Re: Official Information Act request – Harassment with abortions

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 25 February 2021 requesting the following information:

I wish to request under the Official Information Act the following information:-

- 1. The number of written and oral complaints of harassment received from women accessing abortion at your facilities for the period 2019 to 31st January 2021.**
- 2. The nature of these complaints.**
- 3. Copies of those complaints with identifying details deleted.**
- 4. The number of written complaints of harassment received from staff entering and exiting your abortion facilities for the period 2019 to 31st January 2021.**

Ms Louisa Wall MP is the sponsor of the Contraception, Sterilisation and Abortion [Safe Areas] Amendment bill. She alleges that women seeking access to abortion facilities are being harassed and intimidated by people who are opposed to abortion and who gather outside these facilities to pray and to offer assistance to women who may seek their help.

Auckland DHB has recorded no complaints of harassment received from women accessing abortions at our facilities.

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 of Te Toka Tumai (Auckland District Health Board)