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Re: Official Information Act request — Children with whooping cough, rheumatic fever, bronchiolitis, broncho pneumonia, serious dental disease, malnutrition

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 30 March 2021, requesting the following information:

Can I please have the number of children (aged 0-14) recorded by your DHB with the following conditions in the years 2014, 2017 and 2020?

- Whooping cough
- > Rheumatic fever
- **Bronchiolitis**
- > broncho pneumonia
- > serious dental disease
- > malnutrition

DiagnosisCategory	2014	2017	2020	<b>Grand Total</b>
Bronchiolitis	735	658	163	1,556
Malnutrition	21	41	127	189
Rheumatic Fever	34	27	39	100
Serious Dental Disease	17	22	13	52
Whooping Cough	14	16	5	35
Bronchopneumonia Unspecified	292	213	55	560
Grand Total	1,113	977	402	2,492

The increase in malnutrition seen in 2020 is, we believe, due to increased awareness and therefore documentation of this rather than an increase in prevalence.

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 <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> 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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