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**Re: Official Information Act request – Covid-19 Cases in Hospital as Day Stays**

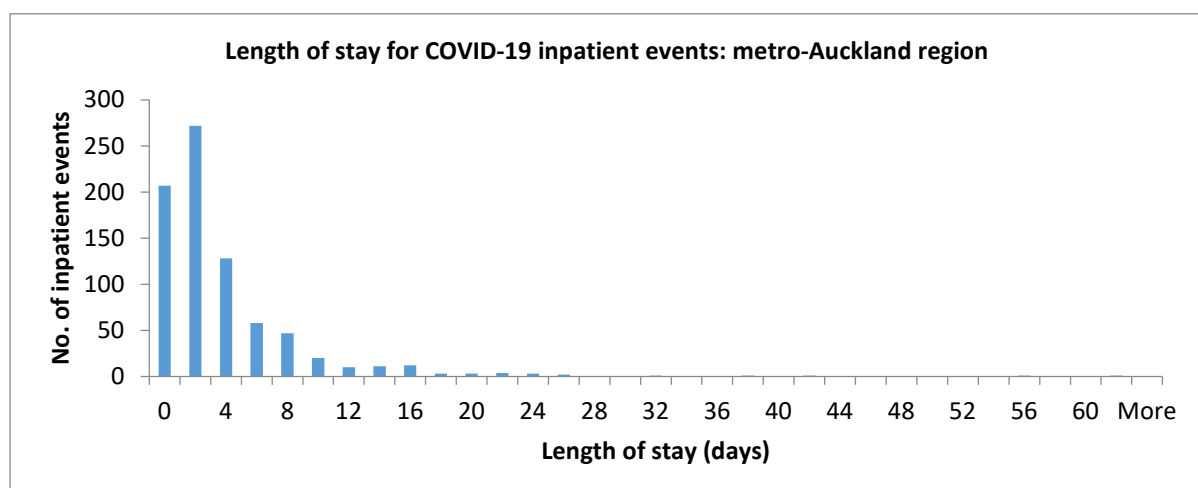
I refer to your official information request transferred from the Ministry of Health to NRHCC on 10 November 2021 for the following information:

**4. How many of the cases which have been reported as going to hospital have actually been day stay cases.**

I am responding on behalf of the Northern Region Health Coordination Centre (NRHCC), the COVID-19 response and vaccination team set up by the Northland, Waitematā, Auckland, and Counties Manukau DHBS.

The determining factors of what is meant by “day stay” differs between the three metro-Auckland DHBS, as such, we are unable to directly address your question. However, we have provided the below data which hopefully aligns and informs your line of questioning.

For the period 17 August to 18 November 2021 there was variance in length of stay (LOS). The shortest LOS was less than 1 day, the longest LOS (of those discharged to date) = 61 days. There were 207 stays that were less than 2 days.



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](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 sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Apa', with a stylized circular flourish above the name.

Margie Apa  
**Chief Executive - Counties Manukau District Health Board**