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Dear Shane

Official Information Act Request – OIA 13414 Cancer Treatment Services

On 26 March 2021, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

"Further to annual review of the Ministry of Health and their subsequent instruction to ask each DHB under section 12 of the Official Information Act 1982, I seek the following information:

- What is the average utilisation rate, in day stay oncology beds, for day stay administered cancer medicines?
- For the next financial year, from an operating pressure perspective, what is the projected increase in the cost of delivering services due to general price inflation expressed as a percentage?
- For the upcoming financial year, from an operating pressure perspective, what is the projected impact of wage and service provider negotiations, expressed as a percentage?

Where information is withheld, I request you provide the title and date of the communication/document withheld, the reason for refusal and the grounds in support of that reason as required by section 19 (a) (i) and (ii) of the Official Information Act.

I ask that you acknowledge receipt of this request and request that your acknowledgement and final response be emailed to andrea.harris@parliament.govt.nz and shane.reti@parliament.govt.nz"

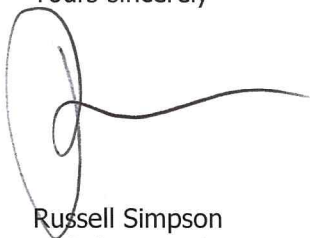
Whanganui District Health Boards response:

- **What is the average utilisation rate, in day stay oncology beds, for day stay administered cancer medicines?**
WDHB do not have any day stay oncology beds, with cancer treatment services delivered through the Regional Cancer Treatment Service at MidCentral DHB.
- **For the next financial year, from an operating pressure perspective, what is the projected increase in the cost of delivering services due to general price inflation expressed as a percentage?**
Nil
- **For the upcoming financial year, from an operating pressure perspective, what is the projected impact of wage and service provider negotiations, expressed as a percentage?**
Nil

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Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz

Yours sincerely

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Russell Simpson
Chief Executive