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Official Information Request- OIA 13901 Live in Treatment Services

The Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB) has received the transfer of your request to Ministry of Health on 4 November 2021 under Section 14 of the OIA. You requested the following information:

1. How many government funded Live-in treatment services (Residential services & Support houses) were there between 2015 and 2021 broken down by year? What was the number of beds abatable in these services, broken down by year?
2. What were the names, and locations of these facilities?
3. How many government funded Live-in treatment services (residential services & support houses) closed between 2015 and 2021?
4. What were the names of the facilities that closed, and locations of these facilities?
5. How many people have been on the waiting list for these facilities between 2015, and 2021 Broken down by year?
6. What is the average amount of time between 2015 and 2021, a person has been expected to wait for a place in these facilities?
7. How many of these centres both live in treatment services and detox beds closed during lockdown periods? At what level are these services allowed to operate?
8. What is the number of drug and alcohol detox beds available in New Zealand, between 2015 and 2021? Broken down by year?
9. Where are these beds located, and how many are available in each region?
10. What was the average wait time for a drug and alcohol detox bed, between 2015 and 2021?
11. On average how many people have been on the waiting list for drug and alcohol detox bed, between 2015 and 2021? Broken down by year?

On 4 November the Office of the Director General, Ministry of Health notified you that the following aspect of your request was partially transferred to District Health Boards. This was specifically for questions 1-7, 10-11.

On 5 November 2021, you clarified your request to Ministry of Health confirming the questions you had asked are referring to 'Alcohol and Drug Residential Services'.

The Whanganui District Health Board response:

- 1. How many government funded Live-in treatment services (Residential services & Support houses) were there between 2015 and 2021 broken down by year? What was the number of beds abatable in these services, broken down by year?**

Year	Name	Beds	Location & notes
2015-2016	Te Oranganui Trust Incorporated	3	Te Whare Mahana, Located in Whanganui city
2016-2017	Te Oranganui Trust Incorporated	3	Te Whare Mahana, Located in Whanganui city
2017-2018	Te Oranganui Trust Incorporated	3	Te Whare Mahana, Located in Whanganui city
2018-2019	Te Oranganui Trust Incorporated	3	Te Whare Mahana, Located in Whanganui city
2019-2020	Te Oranganui Trust Incorporated	3	Te Whare Mahana, Located in Whanganui city
2020-2021	Te Oranganui Trust Incorporated	3	Te Whare Mahana, Located in Whanganui city

- 2. What were the names, and locations of these facilities?**

See question 1

- 3. How many government funded Live-in treatment services (residential services & support houses) closed between 2015 and 2021?**

There were no services that closed within the Whanganui DHB during this time.

- 4. What were the names of the facilities that closed, and locations of these facilities?**

N/A

- 5. How many people have been on the waiting list for these facilities between 2015, and 2021 Broken down by year?**

Data collected during this period has not been structured in a way to allow the DHB or the provider to report on historical waitlists in this manner.

- 6. What is the average amount of time between 2015 and 2021, a person has been expected to wait for a place in these facilities?**

As per question 5, data collected during this period has not been structured in a way to allow the DHB or the provider to report on historical waitlists in this manner. Historically these beds have been underutilised and it is unlikely that there has been any wait time.

- 7. How many of these centres both live in treatment services and detox beds closed during lockdown periods? At what level are these services allowed to operate?**

There were no live in treatment services or detox beds that closed during lockdown periods. These are considered essential services and continue to operate and deliver services at all lockdown levels in line with the Ministry of Health COVID 19 protocols.

8. What is the number of drug and alcohol detox beds available in New Zealand, between 2015 and 2021? Broken down by year?

This question will be answered by the Ministry of Health.

9. Where are these beds located, and how many are available in each region?

This question will be answered by the Ministry of Health.

10. What was the average wait time for a drug and alcohol detox bed, between 2015 and 2021?

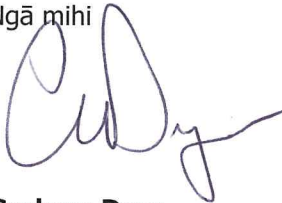
When Whanganui DHB provides drug and alcohol detox beds (managed withdrawal), this is be a planned admission.

11. On average how many people have been on the waiting list for drug and alcohol detox bed, between 2015 and 2021? Broken down by year?

See question 10

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

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