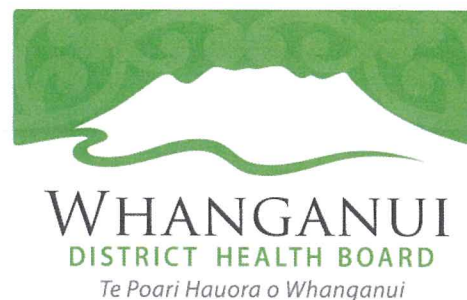


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Official Information Act Request – OIA 14087 Pregnancy and Perinatal Data

On 17 January 2022, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

I would like to request the following under the OIA:

Please supply the following information under the Official Information Act (OIA), from each year ending: 2019/2020/2021.

1. The number of miscarriages recorded per year.
2. The number of ectopic pregnancies per year.
3. The number of molar pregnancies per year.
4. The number of live births per year.
5. Number of perinatal deaths and neonatal deaths per year.

Furthermore, can you please answer the following question:

6. In relation to pharmacovigilance, is the DHB recording/reporting any data relating to outcomes following vaccination for Covid-19 in pregnancy, as part of a post marketing surveillance programme?

Whanganui District Health Boards response:

1. **The number of miscarriages recorded per year.**
2. **The number of ectopic pregnancies per year.**
3. **The number of molar pregnancies per year.**
4. **The number of live births per year.**
5. **Number of perinatal deaths and neonatal deaths per year.**

| Questions 1 - 5 | | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|------------------|--------------|------|------|------|
| Miscarriages | | 29 | 35 | 28 |
| Ectopic | | 14 | 10 | 12 |
| Molar | Non hydatid | 16 | 22 | 23 |
| | Hydatidiform | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Live Births | Singletons | 524 | 521 | 508 |
| | Twins (sets) | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Perinatal deaths | | 9 | 5 | 4 |
| Neonatal deaths | | 0 | 3 | 2 |

By definition this includes any baby born who shows any sign of life, even if the gestation was so premature that it would be incompatible with life, or prior to the 20/40 gestation period. This was the case in one of the 2021 records and two of the 2020 cases.

6. In relation to pharmacovigilance, is the DHB recording/reporting any data relating to outcomes following vaccination for Covid-19 in pregnancy, as part of a post marketing surveillance programme?

WDHB participate in the national pharmacovigilance programme - and all adverse events are provided directly to this central point.

You can find more information here: <https://nzphvc.otago.ac.nz/carm/>

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

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

Ngā mihi



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