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### RE Official Information Act request CDHB 9822

I refer to your email dated 27 March 2018 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB.

- **Annual statistics detailing admissions for underage drinking between 2015 and 2018 across the CDHB.**
  - **This should include, but is not limited to, breakdowns of age under the legal drinking age of 18 and breakdowns between the years.**

**Please note:** Under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act New Zealand has no minimum legal drinking age. The minimum legal age for the purchase of alcohol in New Zealand is 18 years.

Please refer to **Table one** (below) for Canterbury DHB Alcohol related events for under 18 years of age for calendar years 2015, 2016 and 2017.

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Canterbury DHB website.

Yours sincerely



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Table one: Canterbury DHB Alcohol related events, Under 18 year olds 2015, 2016 and 2017

Calendar Year:	Total ED Alcohol related presentations (Alcohol was ingested within 4 hours, or alcohol contributed to injury)			Total Inpatient Alcohol related admissions (ICD code F10.0 or T51)			*Inpatient Admissions not counted in ED Total (Either ED Event didn't flag as alcohol or patient not admitted from ED)			*Total Alcohol related ED Presentations/ Inpatient Admissions		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Age												
0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	1
13	9	3	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	9	3	3
14	2	19	15	1	5	3	1	3	0	3	22	15
15	30	24	34	5	8	14	1	0	4	31	24	38
16	34	51	43	9	8	14	2	4	6	36	55	49
17	75	76	78	17	8	16	7	2	5	82	78	83
<b>Grand Total</b>	152	176	176	34	30	49	12	9	16	164	185	192

**Please note:**

\*Some will appear in more than one category (e.g. patients who present to ED (identified as alcohol related) then admitted (icd code for alcohol).

\*\*The collection of the alcohol related events in ED is not comprehensive. This relates to the purpose the patient presents to ED for treatment (e.g. trauma or injury). Data collected and the subsequently input into the computer by the primary nurse or doctor looking after the patient may only reflect the injury with the cause (i.e. intoxication). From a recent summer studentship we know that we collect about 60% of the total, which is the best approximation of the problem. For ACC patients it is reasonably accurate.

\*\*\*We Have included ED presentations (using ED alcohol flags which we know is not 100% captured), and Inpatient admissions with Alcohol ICD codes.

**Total** - Total alcohol presentations at ED + inpatient admissions

**Inpatient Admissions** - just those patients admitted with Alcohol ICD code