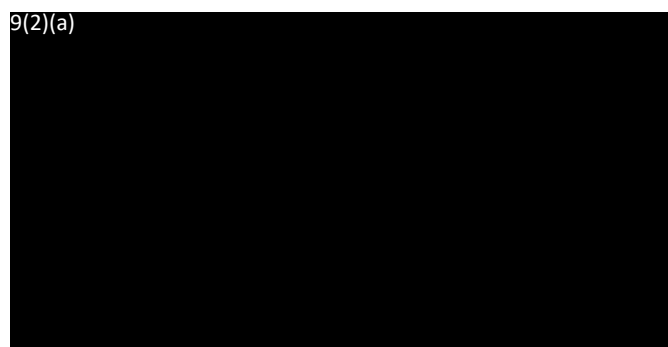


26 July 2022



Official Information Act request ChChD (Canterbury District) 10915

I refer to your email dated 28 June 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Waitaha Canterbury. Specifically:

I've got a follow up question to this response from June 13 about Te Whare Manaaki

There are approximately 32 nursing staff on this unit of which 5 are NESP nurses (new entry to specialist practice). The aim is to ensure there is a mix of staffing experience on each shift. When operating the full 15 beds the nursing staffing for each shift is 8 from 7 am to 3.30 pm, 6 from 3 pm to 11.30 pm and 3 from 11 pm until 7.30 am. Based on acuity of the consumers the unit will 'staff up' to higher levels when required.

We have been told that many of the shifts have nursing staff who are relatively inexperienced.

- 1. Can you provide a breakdown of the roles of the 32-nursing staff?**
- 2. Of the 32-nursing staff, how many have a minimum of two years' experience on a forensics mental health unit?**

Please refer to **Table one** (below) for Te Whare Manaaki Nursing staff (as at 4 July 2022)

Distinct Count of Employee number		Appointee type (grouped)		
Occupation	Forensic experience ¹	Permanent	LWOP/Parental	Total
Enrolled Nurses	< 2 years' experience in Forensic unit	1		1
	>= 2 years' experience in Forensic unit	3		3
Registered Nurses	< 2 years' experience in Forensic unit (includes NESP ²)	12	1	13
	>= 2 years' experience in Forensic unit	12	1	13
Senior Nurses	< 2 years' experience in Forensic unit	2		2
	>= 2 years' experience in Forensic unit	3		3
Grand Total		33	2	35

¹Staff are identified as having at least two years' experience in Forensic unit if they were employed in Forensic cluster of the Canterbury DHB mental health division in July 2020. Some staff have not worked in Te Whare Manaaki the entire time and have moved into Te Whare Manaaki from a different area i.e. Te Whare Mauri Ora and Forensic Community team.

²All of the 5 NESP nurses are in the group of registered nurses with less than 2 years of experience. NESP nurses are identified as Registered Nurse on Pay Grade Step 1.

3. How many staff are currently off sick as a result of an assault injury?

We are currently supporting one staff member from Te Whare Manaaki who remains off work due to an ACC related work assault/injury.

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 Waitaha Canterbury website after your receipt of this response.

Ngā mihi / Yours sincerely,



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