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Mr Mike Kernaghan 9(2)(a)

RE: OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST CDHB 10277

I refer to your email dated 21 February 2020 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB.

1. Total number of patients referred to and seen by Medical Oncology and Radiation Oncology specialities within specified time. Please provide the data from July 2019 to present by month (Attachment 1).

Please find attached as Appendix 1 (Attachment 1).

Number of patients who underwent surgery for colorectal cancer and waiting time. Please provide the data from July 2019 to present by month (Attachment 2).

Please find attached as Appendix 1 (Attachment 2).

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 after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

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Planning, Funding & Decision Support

Cancer Patients Treated at Canterbury DHB (All DHBs excluding West Coast DHB Patients)

Attachment 1: Total number of patients referred to and seen by Medical Oncology and Radiation Oncology specialties and waiting time

Month	Speciality	Total number of patients with referrals received by named specialty this month	Total number of patients seen this month	Total number of patients seen where referral is first to Oncology for this current condition*	Number seen this month who waited 0-7 days from receipt of referral	Number seen who waited 8-14 days from receipt of referral	Number seen who waited 15-28 days from receipt of referral	Number seen who waited 29 or more days from receipt of referral	Number removed from waiting list because of death or major clinical deterioration
Jul-19	Medical Oncology	120	94	68	16	33	16	3	8
	Radiation Oncology	171	144	124	27	40	45	12	6
Aug-19	Medical Oncology	137	105	81	10	41	21	9	0
	Radiation Oncology	192	152	127	25	29	58	15	3
Sep-19	Medical Oncology	123	91	63	17	18	23	5	6
	Radiation Oncology	189	142	123	25	37	51	10	2
Oct-19	Medical Oncology	129	89	69	11	15	36	7	5
	Radiation Oncology	171	139	104	12	16	48	28	5
Nov-19	Medical Oncology	141	112	82	11	16	48	7	6
	Radiation Oncology	219	147	126	15	20	49	42	10
Dec-19	Medical Oncology	138	121	97	18	24	40	15	2
	Radiation Oncology	178	167	143	29	23	46	45	9
Jan-20	Medical Oncology	135	100	78	18	8	40	12	11
	Radiation Oncology	145	122	98	13	8	17	60	3

^{*}Note: Many Oncology referrals will be for both MO & RO therefore this column represents the the total where the patient was seen for the first time in Oncology for their current condition

Attachment 2: Number of patients who underwent surgery for colorectal cancer and waiting time

Month	Number of patients that underwent surgery for colorectal cancer this month	did not receive pre-	Number of Patients who had a colonoscopy* at Canterbury DHB Prior to Surgery**	Number of those patients who had surgery as first treatment and had colonoscopy* within 28 days prior to surgery (within 4 weeks)	Number of those patients who had surgery as first treatment and had colonoscopy* between 29 and 42 days prior to surgery (4-6 weeks)	• •	Number of those patients who had surgery as first treatment and had colonoscopy* 57 or more days prior to surgery (more than 8 weeks)
Jul-19	24	20	12	6	2	2	2
Aug-19	19	14	8	1	3	3	1
Sep-19	35	28	23	10	3	2	8
Oct-19	23	21	16	6	4	2	4
Nov-19	33	28	20	8	2	7	3
Dec-19	24	22	16	7	4	1	4

^{*}Note: Colonoscopy includes flexible sigmoidoscopy

^{*}Note: Patients who did not have colonoscopy at CDHB prior to surgery either had the scope done at another DHB, went private, or were admitted acutely