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### **RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10169**

I refer to your email dated 19 August 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

# 1. Since January 1, 2015, how many staff from Hillmorton Hospital have taken leave on ACC as a result of assaults by patients?

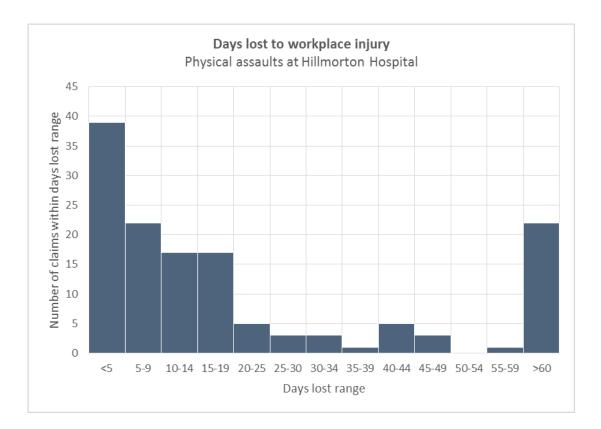
86 employees working at Hillmorton Hospital Campus have taken leave due to an accepted work-related injury following a physical assault between 01 January 2015 and 31 July 2019. We do not record within our work-related injury records whether the assault was from a patient or other members of the public, and therefore this figure may be an over estimation of patient assaults on staff.

# 2. In the same time frame, how many months of staff leave has been taken on ACC as a result of assaults by patients.

There were 138 accepted ACC claims at Hillmorton relating to lost-time work-related injuries following a physical assault since January 2015. Approximately 308 months of staff leave is associated with these ACC claims.

# 3. Also, if possible, could I get a breakdown of the length of leave taken by each staff member in these circumstances?

In order to protect individuals from being identified, we are providing a graphical view of the days lost by claim. The graph overleaf includes all 138 accepted work-related injury claims made from 01 January 2015 to 31 July 2019 for employees working at the Hillmorton Hospital Campus, from physical assaults that resulted in one or more days lost.



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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