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RE Official information request CDHB 9949

We refer to your request dated 27 September 2018 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB regarding Schedule H budget spent on pharmaceuticals. Specifically:

Can you please provide information on Schedule H budget spent on pharmaceuticals as a dollar (\$) value for each of the 2015/16 and 2017/18 financial years and specify if each value provided is a net or a gross value i.e. excluding or including rebates. If it includes rebates then please also provide the \$ value of the rebates as a separate \$ value too. Please clarify if the value includes the Pharmaceutical Cancer Treatments (PCT), and if it does, then please provide the value of the PCT component too.

The entire Canterbury DHB hospital pharmaceuticals budget for the 2015/16 financial year was \$33.535Mⁱ less \$7.736M for PCT, leading to a net hospital pharmaceuticals budget of \$25.799M.

The entire Canterbury DHB hospital pharmaceuticals budget for the 2017/18 financial year was \$41.935M less \$11.833M for PCT, leading to a net hospital pharmaceuticals budget of \$30.101M.

Note: These figures exclude rebates.

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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ⁱ Some elements of the budget have been estimated to arrive at this answer.