

22 August 2022

9(2)(a)



**RE Official information request ChChD 10938 / HNZ 2665**

I refer to your email dated 8 August 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Waitaha Canterbury. Specifically:

- 1. how many complaints of verbal sexual harassment from a patient towards another patient Canterbury DHB/West Coast DHB has received in 2022, as well as the total number of complaints for this in 2021.**
- 2. how many complaints of unwanted touch from a patient towards another patient Canterbury DHB/West Coast DHB has received in 2022, as well as the total number of complaints for this in 2021.**

We confirm there was one event that meets this definition in the stated time period.

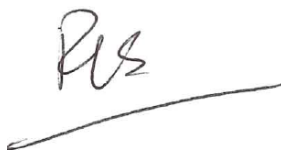
- 3. Can the number of complaints for both situations and years please be broken down by Grey Base Hospital, Christchurch Hospital, Christchurch Women's Hospital and Ashburton Hospital.**

This event occurred at a Specialist Mental Health Services site. We are unable to provide the exact site, from either **Waitaha Canterbury** or **Te Tai o Poutini West Coast** as it would be identifiable to the person involved. Therefore we are part declining pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act to protect individual privacy.

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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