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9(2)(a)

RE Official information request CDHB 10537

I refer to your email dated 22 December 2020 which was subsequently partially transferred to us on 29 January 2021 from the Ministry of Health requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically, Question 8 regarding the cost of residential inpatient care for 9(2)(a)

8. What is the total cost to the Ministry of Health for the Inpatient Residential care and treatment provided to (20)(a) detained indefinitely, being found 'Not Guilty By Reason of Insanity' (20)(a) (20)(a)

Canterbury DHB Specialist Mental Health Service (SMHS) does not cost the provision of inpatient residential care at an individual level; we are therefore declining your request pursuant to section 18(g) of the Official Information Act i.e. "...we do not hold this information".

You may, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act, seek a review of our decision to withhold information by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz; or Freephone 0800 802 602.

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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