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RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10816

I refer to your email dated 14 February 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

1. Out of the total 627 budgeted nursing roles in Canterbury DHB's specialist mental services, how many staff members short of this total was the DHB in November 2021 to February 2022?

Nursing Roles	Nov-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22
Registered nurse	381.0	383.2	375.0	382.2
Senior nurse and midwife	109.6	111.3	114.6	112.9
Health service assistant	38.9	39.8	42.6	43.1
Enrolled nurse	61.0	60.6	59.7	55.5
TOTAL Contracted FTE:	590.5	594.9	591.9	593.6
Shortfall of 627 budgeted FTE:	36.5	32.1	35.1	33.4

2. In Christchurch's forensic mental health unit Te Whare Maanaki, how many of the unit's total staff members have left the unit in the twelve months to January 2022?

Twenty-three staff have left the Te Whare Maanaki Unit in the twelve months to January 2022.

3. In the 12 months to January 2022, how many staff members were physically assaulted by patients in the forensics unit?

There were 13 physical assaults on staff in the Forensic Mental Health Service (which consists of four separate units). The number of assaults has been aggregated across the four units to protect privacy of staff.

Of these assaults, how many days did each staff member have to take off work?

The total number of days is 96.93. The number of days has been aggregated to protect privacy of staff. (Detail for each staff member declined pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act.)

How many of these assaults resulted in an ACC claim?

Three staff members required an ACC claim for assaults.

4. What is the total number of staff in Christchurch's crisis resolution team?

Twelve staff work over both day and afternoon/evening shift. Two work on nights in Emergency Department (ED).

5. How many staff members in the crisis resolution team have left each year in the five years to 2021 (2016 - 2021)?

Year	Number of people
2016	4
2017	4
2018	8
2019	15
2020	9
2021	9

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

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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