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RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10192

I refer to your email dated 10 October 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB, in relation to Prostate Cancer Treatment. Specifically:

- 1. The current waiting time for an appointment following a referral from a GP for a prostate cancer initial consultation**

The current waiting time for an appointment following a referral from a GP for a prostate cancer initial consultation is 27 days.

- 2. The current waiting time for a follow-up appointment for a prostate biopsy**

The current waiting time for a follow-up appointment for a prostate biopsy is 0 days.

- 3. The current waiting time for a post-biopsy appointment to discuss results and treatment options**

The current waiting time for a post-biopsy appointment to discuss results and treatments options is 25 days.

- 4. The current waiting time for a radical prostatectomy following the post-biopsy appointment for persons with a confirmed prostate cancer diagnosis.** (Please only include those patients who undergo prostatectomy surgery who have a confirmed prostate cancer diagnosis, not those who require the surgery for other conditions.)

The current waiting time for a radical prostatectomy following the post-biopsy appointment for persons with a confirmed prostate cancer diagnosis is 36 days.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Melissa Macfarlane', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melissa Macfarlane
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