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RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10230

I refer to your email, dated 22 November 2019, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

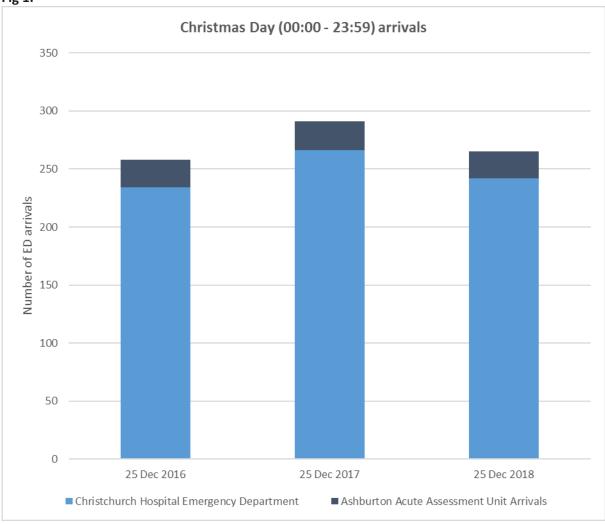
 All presentations to DHB EDs on Christmas Day, between 0001a.m. and 2359 p.m., on December 25, in 2018, 2017 and 2016, broken down by emergency department/hospital (if there is more than one) and the ICD code/presenting complaint.

Please refer to **Table 1** (below) and **Fig 1** (overleaf) for arrivals on Christmas Day at Christchurch Hospital's Emergency Department (ED), Christchurch Hospital's Acute Medical Assessment Unit (AMAU) and Ashburton Hospital's Acute Assessment Unit (AAU) for 2016, 2017 and 2018. (00:01 – 23:59)

Table one:

Arrival Date	Ashburton Hospital Acute Assessment Unit	Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department	AMAU direct admissions
25 Dec 2016	24	234	3
25 Dec 2017	25	266	2
25 Dec 2018	23	242	4





Please refer to **Appendix 1, Tables one, two and three** for Ashburton Hospital's Acute Assessment Unit (AAU) Arrivals on Christmas Day for the last three years. (00:01-23:59).

Please refer to **Appendix 1, Tables four, five and six** for Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department Arrivals on Christmas Day for the last three years. (00:01-23:59).

Please refer to **Appendix 1, Tables seven, eight and nine** for Christchurch Hospital's Acute Medical Assessment Unit (AMAU) admissions (not via ED) on Christmas Day for the last three years. (00:01-23:59).

Please note: the 'presenting complaint' is not available in a suitable format for reporting, that is it is free text. We have therefore provided the diagnosis instead.

Also note: in these tables we have counted each diagnosis the patients had (i.e. diagnosis count will be higher than patient count in **Table one**).

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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Executive Director

Planning, Funding & Decision Support

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Table one: Ashburton Hospital Acute Assessment Unit Arrivals Christmas Day 25 December 2016

Diagnosis	Count
Abdominal Pain (Unspecified)	2
Cellulitis	2
Chest Pain	2
Ear/Nose/Throat Other	2
Medical Admission Other	2
Urinary Tract Infection/Pyelonephritis	2
Allergy / Anaphylaxis	1
Burns	1
Diarrhoea And/or Vomiting	1
Eye Follow Up	1
Fracture/Dislocation Limb (Unspecified)	1
Gastroenteritis	1
Hand Injury	1
Left Ventricular Failure / Cardiogenic Pulmonary	1
Orthopaedic/Musculoskeletal Other	1
Other No Code Suitable	1
Pneumonia That Is X-Ray Proven	1
Wounds (Unspecified)	1

Table two: Ashburton Hospital Acute Assessment Unit Arrivals Christmas Day 25 December 2017

Diagnosis	Count
Abdominal Pain (Unspecified)	5
Medical Admission Other	4
Febrile Illness (Unspecified)	2
Wounds (Unspecified)	2
Allergy / Anaphylaxis	1
Chest Pain	1
Collapse (Unspecified)	1
Ear/Nose/Throat Other	1
Fracture/Dislocation Limb (Unspecified)	1
Gastroenteritis	1
Head Injury (Unspecified)	1
Headache (Migraine Or Unspec.)	1
Limb Injury Other (Unspec.)	1
Neurology/Neurosurgery Other	1
Orthopaedic/Musculoskeletal Other	1
Other No Code Suitable	1
Paediatric Other	1

Table three: Ashburton Hospital Acute Assessment Unit Arrivals Christmas Day 25 December 2018

Diagnosis	Count
Open wound of finger (disorder)	2
Reduced mobility (finding)	2
Abscess of buttock (disorder)	1
Closed fracture lumbar vertebra (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of multiple sites of metacarpus (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of radius (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of radius AND ulna (disorder)	1
Collapse (finding)	1
Contusion of foot (disorder)	1
Contusion of hand (disorder)	1
Exacerbation of asthma (disorder)	1
Falls (finding)	1
Headache (finding)	1
Inflammatory dermatosis (disorder)	1
Open wound of foot (disorder)	1
Open wound of hand (disorder)	1
Post-concussion syndrome (disorder)	1
Strain of tendon of upper arm (disorder)	1
Traumatic amputation, finger, multiple (disorder)	1
Vertigo (finding)	1
Viral disease (disorder)	1
Viral upper respiratory tract infection (disorder)	1
No diagnosis	1

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Table four: Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department Arrivals Christmas Day 25 December 2016	
Diagnosis	Count
Medical Admission Other	35
Limb Injury Other (Unspec.)	21
Abdominal Pain (Unspecified)	20
Wounds (Unspecified)	20
Orthopaedic/Musculoskeletal Other	15
Chest Pain (Not Pleuritic)	14
Fracture +/- Dislocation (Unspecified)	13
Hand Injury (Unspecified)	8
Back Pain (Non Specific)	6
Respiratory Other	6
Cardiology Other - Not Acute Myocardial Infarction	5
Eye Problem Other	5
Febrile Illness (Unspecified)	5
Headache (Migraine Or Unspec.)	5 5
Psychiatric Other Seizures	5
Superficial injuries	5
Unknown	5
Cellulitis	4
Chest Injury (Unspecified)	4
Spinal Thoracic/Lumbar/Sacral Injury (Unspecified)	4
Diarrhoea And/Or Vomiting	3
Ear/Nose/Throat Other	3
Gynaecology Other	3
Minor Viral Illness	3
Neurology/Neurosurgery Other	3
Per Vaginal Bleeding	3
Toothache	3
Toxicology Other - Not Drug Abuse/Accid Overdose	3
Abscess (Unspecified)	2
Acute Resp Illness - Not Asthma/Copd/Pneumonia	2
Allergy / Anaphylaxis	2
Asthma	2
Collapse (Unspecified)	2
Eye Trauma (Unspecified)	2
Head Injury (Unspecified)	2
Vascular Other	2
Airway Problem Unspecified	1
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Constipation	1
Croup (Paediatrics)	1
Facial Trauma (Unspecified)	1
Genitourinary Other	1
Haematology Other	1
Oncology Other	1
Paediatric Other	1
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Pelvic Injury (Unspecified)	
Renal Other	1
Surgical	1
Urinary Retention	1
Urinary Tract Infection/Pyelonephritis	1

^{*}Note: counts each diagnosis the patients had (i.e. diagnosis count will be higher than patient count in Table one).

Table five: Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department Arrivals Christmas Day 25 December 2017

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Medical Admission Other	45
Limb Injury Other (Unspec.) Wounds (Unspecified)	30 30
Abdominal Pain (Unspecified)	16
Orthopaedic/Musculoskeletal Other	15
Cardiology Other - Not Acute Myocardial Infarction	11
Collapse (Unspecified)	11
Fracture +/- Dislocation (Unspecified)	11
Paediatric Other	10
Psychiatric Other	8
Back Pain (Non Specific)	7
Hand Injury (Unspecified)	7
Unknown	7
Chest Pain (Not Pleuritic)	6
Head Injury (Unspecified)	6
Chest Injury (Unspecified)	5
Diarrhoea And/or Vomiting	5
Eye Problem Other	5
Surgical	5
Suspected Alcohol/Recreational Drug Involvement	5
Febrile Illness (Unspecified)	4
Headache (Migraine Or Unspec.)	4
Respiratory Other	4
Cellulitis	3
Ear/Nose/Throat Other	3
Minor Viral Illness	3
Seizures	3
Bites Animal/Human/Insect (Unspecified)	2
Confusion/Delirium (Cause Unknown)	2
Dental Infection	2
Facial Trauma (Unspecified)	2
Genitourinary Other	2
Gynaecology Other	2
Per Vaginal Bleeding	2
Rash (Unspecified) Toxicology Other - Not Drug Abuse/Accid Overdose	2
Allergy / Anaphylaxis	1
Burns	
Deliberate Self Harm (Wound)	<u>1</u> 1
Deliberate Self Poisoning (Unspecified)	1
Dental Other (Not Toothache)	1
Eye Trauma (Unspecified)	1
Foot Injury (Unspecified)	1
Gastroenteritis	1
Infectious Diseases Other	1
Neurology/Neurosurgery Other	1
Paediatric Asthma	1
Spinal Thoracic/Lumbar/Sacral Injury (Unspecified)	1
Superficial injuries	1
Thrombosis Or Spontaneous Haemorrhage	1
Toothache	1
Urinary Retention	1
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Table six: Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department Arrivals Christmas Day 25 December 2018

Diagnosis	Count
Sprain of ankle (disorder)	7
Collapse (finding)	6
Minor head injury (disorder)	6
Atrial fibrillation (disorder)	5
Open wound of scalp (disorder)	5
Abdominal pain - cause unknown (finding)	4
Acute allergic reaction (disorder)	4
Falls (finding)	4
Open wound of face (disorder)	4
Sepsis (disorder)	4
Urinary tract infectious disease (disorder)	4
Abrasion of scalp (disorder)	3
Acute exacerbation of chronic obstructive airways disease (disorder)	3
Alcohol intoxication (disorder)	3
Change of dressing (procedure)	3
Closed fracture of nasal bones (disorder)	3
Concussion injury of brain (disorder)	3
Contusion of scalp (disorder)	3
Diarrhoea (finding)	3
Heart failure (disorder)	3
Musculoskeletal chest pain (finding)	3
Non-cardiac chest pain (finding)	3
Open wound of finger (disorder)	3
Pneumonia (disorder)	3
Pregnancy problem (finding)	3
Swallowed foreign body (disorder)	3
Viral disease (disorder)	3
Acute cholecystitis (disorder)	2
Acute coronary syndrome (disorder)	2
Anxiety (finding)	2
Cellulitis of lower leg (disorder)	2
Closed fracture of cervical spine (disorder)	2
Closed fracture of neck of femur (disorder)	2
Dental trauma (disorder)	2
Gastritis (disorder)	2
Gastroenteritis (disorder)	2
Gout (disorder)	2
Headache (finding)	2
Haemorrhoids (disorder)	2
Hyperglycaemia (disorder)	2
Lower respiratory tract infection (disorder)	2
Migraine (disorder)	2
Nausea (finding)	2

Open wound of foot (disorder)	2
Open wound of wrist (disorder)	2
Pain in lower limb (finding)	2
Pyelonephritis (disorder)	2
Pyrexia of unknown origin (finding)	2
Renal colic (finding)	2
Transient ischemic attack (disorder)	2
Abnormal vision (finding)	1
Abrasion, elbow area (disorder)	1
Abrasion, thigh (disorder)	1
Acute appendicitis (disorder)	1
Acute suppurative arthritis caused by bacteria (disorder)	1
Adverse reaction caused by drug (disorder)	1
Alcohol abuse (disorder)	1
Anaphylaxis (disorder)	1
Angioedema (disorder)	1
Animal bite of face (disorder)	1
Animal bite of thigh (disorder)	1
Animal bite wound of neck (disorder)	1
Ataxia (finding)	1
Atrial flutter (disorder)	1
Bradycardia (finding)	1
Bronchiolitis (disorder)	1
Cellulitis of groin (disorder)	1
Cellulitis of thigh (disorder)	1
Cerebrovascular accident (disorder)	1
Closed fracture lumbar vertebra (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of ankle (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of carpal bone (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of clavicle (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of phalanx of finger (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of radius (disorder)	1
Closed fracture of ulna (disorder)	1
Complication of urinary catheter (disorder)	1
Constipation (disorder)	1
Contusion of elbow (disorder)	1
Contusion of face (disorder)	1
Contusion of foot (disorder)	1
Contusion of forearm (disorder)	1
Contusion of forehead (disorder)	1
Contusion of hand (disorder)	1
Contusion of knee (disorder)	1
Contusion of shoulder region (disorder)	1
Corneal foreign body (disorder)	1
Crisis (finding)	1

Dental abscess (disorder)	1
Diabetic neuropathy (disorder)	1
Diffuse brain injury (disorder)	1
Disorder of fluid AND/OR electrolyte (disorder)	1
Diverticulitis (disorder)	1
Drug overdose (disorder)	1
Dysfunctional uterine bleeding (finding)	1
Dyspnoea (finding)	1
Electrical burn (disorder)	1
Epistaxis (disorder)	1
Exacerbation of asthma (disorder)	1
Feeding problem (finding)	1
Foreign body - finger (disorder)	1
Foreign body in nose (disorder)	1
Fracture of mandible (disorder)	1
Hernia of abdominal cavity (disorder)	1
Hypothermia (finding)	1
Insect bite of lower limb (disorder)	1
Insect bite of upper limb (disorder)	1
Intestinal obstruction (disorder)	1
Iritis (disorder)	1
Mastitis (disorder)	1
Mental health problem (finding)	1
Miscarriage (disorder)	1
Non-traumatic subarachnoid haemorrhage	1
Open fracture dislocation of knee joint (disorder)	1
Open wound of forearm (disorder)	1
Open wound of hand (disorder)	1
Open wound with complication (disorder)	1
Pain in male genitalia (finding)	1
Palpitations (finding)	1
Pancreatitis (disorder)	1
Parental concern about child (finding)	1
Pharyngitis (disorder)	1
Pleural effusion (disorder)	1
Pneumonitis (disorder)	1
Poisoning caused by drug AND/OR medicinal substance (disorder)	1
Postoperative complication (disorder)	1
Primary malignant neoplasm (disorder)	1
Pulled elbow (disorder)	1
Pulmonary embolism (disorder)	1
Removal of skin sutures/clips (procedure)	1
Seizure (finding)	1
Septic shock (disorder)	1
Sinus tachycardia (finding)	1

Sprain of foot (disorder)	1
Sprain of hand (disorder)	1
Sprain of knee (disorder)	1
Stable angina (disorder)	1
Suicidal (finding)	1
Superficial vein thrombosis (disorder)	1
Tonsillitis (disorder)	1
Traumatic subdural intracranial hemorrhage (disorder)	1
Upper gastrointestinal hemorrhage (disorder)	1
Viral upper respiratory tract infection (disorder)	1
Vomiting (disorder)	1
No Diagnosis	42

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Table seven: Christchurch Hospital's Acute Medical Assessment Unit (AMAU) admissions (not via ED) on Christmas Day for 25 December 2016 (00:01-23:59).

Diagnosis	Count
I50.0 - Congestive heart failure	1
163.9 - Cerebral infarction, unspecified	1
J18.9 - Pneumonia, unspecified	1

Table eight: Christchurch Hospital's Acute Medical Assessment Unit (AMAU) admissions (not via ED) on Christmas Day for 25 December 2017 (00:01-23:59).

Diagnosis	Count
E86 - Volume depletion	1
L03.11 - Cellulitis of lower limb	1

Table nine: Christchurch Hospital's Acute Medical Assessment Unit (AMAU) admissions (not via ED) on Christmas Day for 25 December 2018 (00:01-23:59).

Diagnosis	Count
D69.0 - Allergic purpura	1
F10.3 - Mental and behavioural disorders due to use of alcohol, withdrawal state	1
J22 - Unspecified acute lower respiratory infection	1
L03.11 - Cellulitis of lower limb	1

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