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RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10588

I refer to your email dated 12 April 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

Please can you advise:

1. Whether PSMA (Prostate Specific Membrane Antigen) PET-CT is funded by the DHB or only available privately?
2. If publicly funded, please can you advise whether there are criteria that must be met. For example:
 - For staging of high risk and unfavourable intermediate risk prostate cancer before definitive local therapy.
 - For restaging of PSA recurrence ($\geq 0.2\text{ng/ml}$).

Canterbury DHB funded six PSMA PET/CT (Positron Emission Tomography and Computed Tomography) scans on an individual one-off basis on recommendation from the South Island PET Variance Committee in 2018/19 Financial year.

Canterbury DHB currently has a contract with a private radiology provider for up to four PET/CT Gallium-68 Dotatate PSMA scans per annum, however, no referrals have been made for this scan type to date.

I trust 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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