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RE Official information request CDHB 9891

We refer to your email dated 5 July 2018 requesting the following information from Canterbury DHB under the Official Information Act.

For each of the last three years (please include 2018 if possible):

- **The number of mental health related referrals CDHB has received from university health centres/services, and**
- **How many of those have resulted in treatment provided by the DHB?**

Referrals from all primary care settings including, student health services, are triaged according to need. Currently over 96% of people referred to the Adult Community Service are seen within 21 days.

We are not able to electronically extract information on which referrals have come from university health centres/services. A time consuming individual audit of all referrals would be required to obtain this information, we are therefore declining your specific request under section 18(f) of the Official Information Act i.e. *"...the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research."*

If you disagree with our decision to withhold information you may, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act, seek an investigation and review of our decision from the Ombudsman.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Canterbury DHB website ten working days after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely



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