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Via Email: [REDACTED]

Response to a request for official information

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for official information received 7 December 2020 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹, followed by the necessary extension of time 26 January 2021 and notice of decision 24 February 2021, where you seek the following information:

- 1. Date/numbers/figures of all incidents involving any DHB staff member (including contractors or causal workers) being harassed or, physically or verbally assaulted by a patient from any ward/area under the DHB's jurisdiction in the last three years to date (07/12/2017 – 07/12/2020)***

NMH response: Please see Table One for reported cases as extracted from our Incident Management System, noting the data does include Disability Support Services, a community based service which is part of the DHB in the Nelson Marlborough district.

TABLE ONE

Month	Year	Count All Cases
12	2017	45
1	2018	128
2	2018	102
3	2018	119
4	2018	111
5	2018	150
6	2018	175
7	2018	81
8	2018	132
9	2018	91
10	2018	119

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11	2018	98
12	2018	86
1	2019	92
2	2019	77
3	2019	103
4	2019	125
5	2019	98
6	2019	91
7	2019	76
8	2019	88
9	2019	84
10	2019	79
11	2019	83
12	2019	98
1	2020	90
2	2020	74
3	2020	89
4	2020	76
5	2020	106
6	2020	89
7	2020	68
8	2020	64
9	2020	68
10	2020	54
11	2020	68
12	2020	19

This response has been provided under the Official Information Act 1982. You have the right to seek an investigation by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or free phone 0800 802 602.

If you have any questions about this decision please feel free to email our OIA Coordinator OIArequest@nmdhb.govt.nz. I trust that this information meets your requirements. NMH, like other agencies across the state sector, supports the open disclosure of information to assist the public's understanding of how we are delivering publicly-funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released. If you feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive