

19 May 2022

Response to a request for official information

Thank you for your request for official information received 19 April 2022 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹, where you seek the following information.

- 1. *The number of women referred to Maternal Mental Health to this DHB in 2021 and the number that were accepted.***

NMH response:

There were 60 referrals for women to Maternal Mental Health for NMH in 2021. All referrals were accepted.

- 2. *The current wait times for Maternal Mental Health in this District Health Board.***

NMH response:

The current average waiting time for Maternal Mental Health cannot be provided because this information is not currently collected in any of our systems. As such, we decline to respond under section 18(g) of the Act in *'that the information requested is not held'* by NMH.

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 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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