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Kia ora

## Response to a request for official information

We apologise for an inadvertent human error in the data retrieval to meet your previous request for official information received 17 January 2022.

It became apparent during the data retrieval for your subsequent request (received 4 July 2022 and responded 18 July 2022), that the hospital volumes previously provided for Calendar Years 2019, 2020 and 2021 required a revision of the coding logic by the data analysts.

This response outlines the fresh data to meet your previous request;

"From each year ending 2019/2020/2021-

- 1. The number of miscarriages recorded per year
- 2. The number of ectopic pregnancies per year
- 3. The number of molar pregnancies per year
- 4. The number of live births per year
- 5. Number of perinatal deaths and neonatal deaths per year."

## Te Whatu Ora - Nelson Marlborough Response:

Please see Table One below for *hospital identifiable* data for the specified period. Due to low numbers there is risk of individual identifiability; the exact numbers for the 2019 and 2020 molar pregnancies are withheld under Section 9(2)(a) 'to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons'. In the circumstances, the withholding of that information is not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

## **TABLE ONE**

	2019	2020	2021
Miscarriages	141	134	134
Ectopic pregnancies	23	13	36
Molar pregnancies	<3*	<3*	7
Live births	1,373	1,352	1,413
Perinatal and neonatal deaths	11	8	11

<sup>\*</sup>Information for categories with fewer than 3 individuals is withheld under s.9(2)(a)

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 <a href="www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> 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

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Ngā mihi

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