

Hospital Services

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Dear

Re: OIA request - Patients residing north of Puhoi treated at North Shore Hospital

Thank you for your Official Information Act request received 28 November 2019 seeking information about how many patients who reside from Puhoi northwards were treated in the last year at North Shore Hospital.

Subsequently, we contacted you on 3 December to clarify your request.

You advised you were seeking a breakdown of Emergency Department visits and inpatients admitted (as separate figures), both as unique individuals and total number of visits in the last calendar year.

Before responding to your specific questions, it may be useful to provide some context about our services.

Waitematā DHB serves a population of more than 630,000 across the North Shore, Waitakere and Rodney areas, the largest and one of the most rapidly growing DHBs in the country. We are the largest employer in the district, employing around 7,500 people across more than 80 different locations.

In addition to providing services to our own population, we are also the metropolitan Auckland provider of forensic psychiatry, child disability services, child community dental services and community alcohol and drug services.

In response to your request we are able to provide the following information for the Puhoi North domiciles as identified below:

This data includes the following suburbs: Algies Bay; Cape Rodney; Cape Rodney South; Kawau; Leigh; Mahurangi; Matakana; Matheson Bay; Omaha; Point Wells; Snells Beach; Tauhoa-Puhoi; Warkworth; Wellsford.

Patients treated at North Shore Hospital Calendar year to 30 Nov 2019	Unique individuals	Total number of visits
Emergency Department	4,073	5,683
Inpatients admitted	4,768	7,083

For comparison purposes, we have provided the total number of all patients treated at North Shore Hospital.

Patients treated at North Shore Hospital calendar year to 30 Nov 2019	Unique individuals	Total number of visits
Emergency Department	49,980	72,043
Inpatients admitted	54,655	81,097

I trust that this information is helpful.

Waitematā DHB supports the open disclosure of information to assist community 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 consider there are good reasons why this response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider your views.

Yours sincerely

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