



30 May 2022

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By way of email only: [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

Official Information Act request:

Further to your letter dated 28 April 2022 made under the Official Information Act 1982.

1. How many SMO Gastroenterologists have been appointed to your DHB between the dates 1st April 2020 – 1st April 2022?

For the period 01/04/2020 to 01/04/2022, there were 2 re-hired gastroenterologists.

2. Were they employed in a sole Gastroenterology or dual Gastroenterology and General Medicine role?

None of our recent appointments of new Gastroenterologists work in General Medicine, we have not had anyone do a share role since 2019. This is due mainly to the Gastroenterology workload at a hospital our size. We have 7.41 FTE made up with 9 Gastroenterologists.

3. For those employed in dual Gastro/Gen Med roles:

3a. What was the full time equivalent (FTE) for each role?

3b. Did the General Medicine role include General Medicine ward cover?

As per the above, none of the Gastroenterologists employed at Waikato DHB work dual roles.

Waikato DHB supports the open disclosure of information to assist community understanding of how we are delivering publically 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.

I trust this answers your query.

Yours sincerely

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