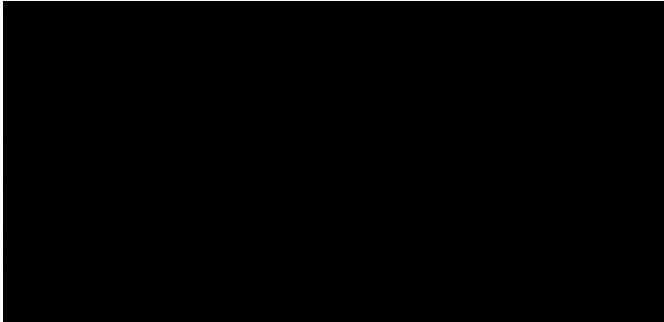


25 November 2020



Re: Official Information Request – Data on age of mothers who gave birth

I refer to your Official Information Request dated 5 November 2020 requesting the following information:

I am writing to request data on the age of mothers who gave birth in DHB facilities between 2017 and this year.

Can you please provide the age of the youngest and oldest woman to give birth in each of 2017, 2018, 2019 and so far this year?

See table below for the number of mothers less than 17 years old on their delivery date and more than 45 years old on their delivery date, for the calendar years 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 (to date).

We are unable to provide you with a further breakdown of the patient's ages because the patients may be identifiable, therefore, we are declining to provide you with the age of the youngest and oldest woman to give birth under section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act to protect the privacy of those individuals.

Year	<17yr	>45yr
2017	11	21
2018	7	19
2019	14	15
2020 to date	6	21
Grand Total	38	76

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland District Health Boards website.

Yours faithfully



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