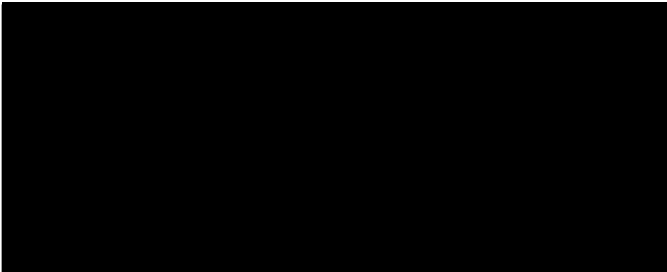


10 November 2020



**Re: Official Information Act request – Number of women booked with a hospital based midwife service**

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 27 October 2020 requesting the following information:

**With respect, I request the following information under the terms of the Official Information Act 1982:**

- 1. By month and since November 1 2019, the number of women booked with a hospital-based midwife/service.**

The data available are for the number of women, under the care of the hospital based midwifery team, at the time of birth not the time of booking. These data are

Month	No of women birthed with a hospital based LMC
Nov 2019	88
Dec 2019	164
Jan 2020	142
Feb 2020	102
March 2020	98
April 2020	81
May 2020	86
June 2020	84
July 2020	92
August 2020	83
September 2020	95

2. If there is a breakdown of the above figure to show how many women were so booked because they couldn't find or book with a community midwife, can this please be provided

We do not capture data as to whether the woman is cared for by the DHB as she could not get a self-employed LMC.

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](http://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 DHB website.

Yours faithfully



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