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Re Official Information Request – Data on broken arms, wrists and legs

I refer to your official information request dated 26 May 2020 requesting the following information:

Hi I am wondering how many people yearly break their arms/wrists/legs.

Response, for calendar year 2019:

Fracture category	Number of patients
Arms	1996
Legs	1733
Wrists	67
Grand Total	3796

Please note:

- The data is for patients with coded diagnoses only for the 2019 calendar year.
- Patients may be in the count more than once e.g. if they broke a wrist and a leg they are in both counts.
- Where a patient had two admissions for the same type of fracture they are only counted once to prevent double counting.

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 DHB website.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ailsa Claire'.

Ailsa Claire, OBE
Chief Executive