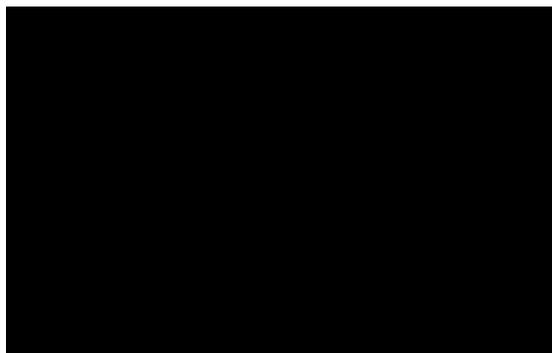


10 February 2021



Re NZACA Official Information Act Request 21001

I refer to your official information request dated 15 January 2021 requesting the following information:

Under the Official Information Act, I request the following information on admissions to aged residential care:

- 1. Does Auckland DHB have goals, targets, or objectives for current or future admissions to Aged Residential Care? These targets could be expressed in terms of an absolute numbers, annual percentage changes, or changes in age-specific ARC utilisation rates.**

If the answer is yes, could you please supply documents or links to web pages and documents.

- 2. Has Auckland DHB analysed the cost of providing home support to older people with high or complex needs compared to the cost of funding them in aged residential care? As an indication, we are referring to older people with scores of 4 or 5 on the interRAI MAPLE scale, or 2 or above on the ADL Hierarchy scale, in their most recent interRAI Home Care assessment.**

If the answer is yes, could you please provide a copy of the report. If that is not possible, please provide:

- The name of the study or report**
- when it was completed (most recently if there have been several)**
- a brief outline of the scope of the study**
- the principal findings of the study.**

We set out Auckland DHB's response below, which corresponds to the question numbers in your request.

Question 1

Auckland DHB does not have goals, targets or objectives for current or future admissions to Aged Residential Care (ARC). All individuals assessed as eligible for ARC by the DHB NASC are able to enter an ARC facility of their choice.

Questions 2

Auckland DHB has not analysed the cost of providing home support to older people with high or complex needs compared to the cost of funding them in ARC.

I trust this information answers your questions.

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



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