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Re Official Information Request – Data about Starships child protection services

I refer to your official information request dated 21 June 2019 requesting data about Starship's child protection services (known as Te Puaruruhau) and to the partial reply provided to you dated 17 July 2019, wherein Auckland DHB advised that only questions one and two of your request for Te Puaruruhau could be answered.

The information provided here is taken from the database maintained by Te Puaruruhau concerning children and young people for whom they have provided a health assessment.

1. How many children at Starship have been assessed for suspected CAN, in every year, since 2002 to 2018?

We have interpreted this question as asking how many children and young people have been assessed by Te Puaruruhau for suspected CAN during the period specified.

| Year | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| No. of | 552 | 384 | 512 | 526 | 576 | 576 | 566 | 630 | 678 |
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | |
| | 739 | 670 | 668 | 714 | 672 | 666 | 606 | 616 | |

2. Of those children, what was the child's age, gender and ethnicity?

The children ranged in age from 5 days to 18.0 years, 66% were female and 34% were male. The female prevalence reflects the fact that many of our referrals over 5 years old are for sexual abuse.

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| AGE - 0-2.0YRS | 104 | 62 | 86 | 84 | 105 | 104 | 109 | 131 | 159 | 153 | 144 | 138 | 138 | 154 | 152 | 116 | 100 | 2039 |
| AGE - 2.1 - 5.0YRS | 136 | 74 | 106 | 93 | 79 | 95 | 106 | 123 | 133 | 191 | 135 | 122 | 135 | 142 | 132 | 113 | 136 | 2051 |
| AGE - 5.1 - 18YRS | 312 | 248 | 320 | 349 | 392 | 377 | 351 | 376 | 386 | 395 | 391 | 408 | 441 | 376 | 382 | 377 | 375 | 6256 |
| MALE | 181 | 113 | 143 | 137 | 152 | 160 | 167 | 205 | 242 | 286 | 278 | 263 | 245 | 266 | 263 | 241 | 217 | 3559 |
| FEMALE | 371 | 271 | 369 | 389 | 424 | 416 | 399 | 425 | 436 | 453 | 392 | 405 | 469 | 406 | 403 | 365 | 394 | 6787 |

The ethnic breakdown was as follows:

| i Wike | 2002 | 200 | ALC: N | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | zije | 2017 | evil. | TOTAL |
|----------|------|-----|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| MAORI | 187 | 112 | 176 | 175 | 160 | 194 | 175 | 233 | 259 | 281 | 248 | 233 | 281 | 284 | 278 | 238 | 230 | 3744 |
| EUROPEAN | 192 | 159 | 171 | 178 | 205 | 191 | 188 | 198 | 220 | 210 | 181 | 219 | 218 | 189 | 188 | 147 | 162 | 3216 |
| PACIFIC | 117 | 70 | 123 | 119 | 156 | 135 | 141 | 134 | 163 | 184 | 180 | 165 | 157 | 146 | 143 | 167 | 148 | 2448 |
| ASIAN | 35 | 25 | 23 | 35 | 30 | 27 | 44 | 48 | 28 | 41 | 48 | 37 | 41 | 42 | 46 | 44 | 55 | 649 |
| OTHER | 21 | 18 | 19 | 19 | 25 | 29 | 18 | 17 | 8 | 23 | 13 | 14 | 17 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 16 | 289 |

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.

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Yours faithfully

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