

Monday, 14 June 2021

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Re: Official Information Act Request – Clinicians delivering long acting reversible contraception

Kia ora [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982.

Our response to your request is as follows:

1. *How many clinicians are trained in long acting reversible contraception (LARC) for the DHB region?*

Hauora Tairāwhiti currently has 12 clinicians who can provide long acting reversible contraception (LARC). Two of these clinicians are based at the local community clinic, while all others work across DHB services including maternity, obstetrics and gynaecology.

2. *How many clinicians are able to deliver LARC training in each region, per year for the last 12 years?*
3. *How many clinicians are currently doing LARCs for patients in their region for the last 12 years?*

Hauora Tairāwhiti has provided LARC services during the past 12 years, and in the past seven, a certified clinician may include a senior nurse, who is able to fit Jadelle implants and intrauterine contraceptive devices. All certified clinicians within maternity may train new clinicians as per the department's pathway to Jadelle insertion accreditation.

A breakdown of clinicians able to deliver LARC training per year, across the past 12 years is not recorded by the DHB and cannot be provided.

All 12 clinicians currently trained in delivering LARC are actively providing these services.

If you are not satisfied with this response you may contact the Office of the Ombudsmen, phone 0800 802 602.

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Ngā mihi

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