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Dear [REDACTED]

Official Information Act Request for – National Contraception Training Service

I write in response to your Official Information Act request received by us on the 7th May 2021 by way of partial transfer from the Ministry of Health (ref: H202104634), you requested the following information:

May I please find out how many clinicians have been trained under the National Contraception Training Service, how many are doing the work now and how much training is going on.

Family Planning has the contract for the training and reports this back to the Ministry.

Broken down by DHB area, can I find out:

- 1. How many clinicians are trained in long acting reversible contraception for each region**
- 2. How many clinicians have completed the training in the last 12 years (or however long Family Planning has had the contract) for each region**
- 3. How many clinicians are able to deliver LARC training in each region, per year for the last 12 years**
- 4. How many clinicians are currently doing LARCs for patients in their region per year for the last 12 years?"**

The Ministry of Health advised that parts one, three and four of your request are more closely related to the functions of the district health boards (DHBs).

Counties Manukau Health Response:

For context Counties Manukau Health (CM Health) employs over 8,500 staff and provides health and support services to people living in the Counties Manukau region (approx. 601,490 people). We see over 118,000 people in our Emergency Department each year, and over 2,000 visitors come through Middlemore Hospital daily.

Our services are delivered via hospital, outpatient, ambulatory and community-based models of care. We provide regional and supra-regional specialist services i.e. for orthopaedics, plastics, burns and spinal services. There are also several specialist services provided including tertiary surgical services, medical services, mental health and addiction services.

1. How many clinicians are trained in long acting reversible contraception for each region

Please see table 1 below, we have broken this down into hospital services and Primary Care & School Services.

Hospital Services	Primary Care and School Services
In hospital services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • there are 50 medical staff (doctors) on average each year • 3 Clinical Nurse Specialists nursing staff trained. • 2 RNs 	Primary Care LARC inserters= 59 Jadelle = 22 IUCD = 10 Both = 27 School Services 1 x Nurse Practitioner 1 x CNS

Table 1 Source: Women's Health

2. How many clinicians have completed the training in the last 12 years (or however long Family Planning has had the contract) for each region
 Ministry of Health will respond to this question.

3. How many clinicians are able to deliver LARC training in each region, per year for the last 12 years

4. How many clinicians are currently doing LARCs for patients in their region per year for the last 12 years?"

In response to questions three and four of your request. Please see table 2 below, we have broken this down into hospital services and Primary Care & School Services. Please note, any clinician who is trained as an inserter is able to train their colleagues, however they are unable to credential them.

Hospital Services	Primary Care and School Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over the past 12 years – 1 x CNS trainer • Since 2017 1 extra CNS trainer • Since 2019- 1 x CNS (LARC training), 1 x CNS Community and 2 x RNs (Jadelle insertions) 	Primary Care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 x clinicians working across primary care to do credentialing in primary care

Table 2 Source: Women's Health

I trust this information answers your request. 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 may be published on the Counties Manukau Health website. If you consider there are good reasons why this response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider this.

Yours sincerely



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