

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

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Email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

### **Official Information Act Request for – Radiology Diagnostic Services**

I write in response to your Official Information Act request received by us 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021, you requested the following information:

- **I am interested in the diagnostic imaging modalities of Cardio Ultrasound, MRI, X-ray CT, PET and SPECT.**

**The information I require for each is:**

- 1. Number of units (instruments) of each modality.**
- 2. What entity (government or private) funded each unit.**
- 3. What entity operates each unit.**
- 4. Number of patients processed by each unit per annum.**

### **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. 595,590 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.

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Table 1 below reflects the questions one to four in your request for the last financial year. The Cardiology Service outsources a small volume of patients for PET and SPECT medical imaging.

Modality	Number of units	Funded by:	Units operated by	Number of patients in last financial year
MRI	3	DHB funded	Middlemore	9,538
CT	4	DHB funded	Middlemore	36,146
Cardiac Ultrasound	8	DHB funded	Middlemore	11,000

Table 1: Sourced Radiology & Cardiology Services

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](http://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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