

22 May 2019

Thank you for your request dated 26 April 2019 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982, regarding intersex genital surgery and policies and procedures relating to intersex people's health care. You requested:

- *"Data on how many intersex children have had genital surgery within their first year of life between 2000 and 2018 broken down by year, whether or not the surgery was medically necessary or whether it was cosmetic, gender of child as recorded on their birth certificate and the total cost per year of the surgeries (Can I please have this information in the form of an Excel spreadsheet)*
- *Information (including but not limited to internal communications, memos, meeting minutes, briefing notes, letters, communications with external stakeholders) about policies/procedures relating to intersex people's health care received by the DHB and published by the DHB between January 2017 and today April 26 2019"*

The information pertaining to your request is below.

Question 1:

"Data on how many intersex children have had genital surgery within their first year of life between 2000 and 2018 broken down by year, whether or not the surgery was medically necessary or whether it was cosmetic, gender of child as recorded on their birth certificate and the total cost per year of the surgeries (Can I please have this information in the form of an Excel spreadsheet)"

There have been no intersex genital surgeries at the Hutt Valley District Health Board within the first year of life between 2000 and 2018.

Question 2:

"Information (including but not limited to internal communications, memos, meeting minutes, briefing notes, letters, communications with external stakeholders) about policies/procedures relating to intersex people's health care received by the DHB and published by the DHB between January 2017 and today April 26 2019"

Please see attachment 'Statements of Rights, Privacy & Responsibilities policy'. This policy relates to the rights of health care consumers, including intersex people's health care rights.

Hutt Valley DHB has no specific information relating only to intersex people's health care.