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### Response to a request for official information

Dear Amy

Thank you for your request for official information as a partial transfer of Points 4, 5 & 6 (of 6) from the Ministry of Health to DHBs, and received 12 June 2020 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)<sup>1</sup> where you seek the following information:

***4. The total number of incidents involving an allegation that a member of the public had impersonated a physician, between 1 May 2019 and 31 August 2019, and in the event there were such incidents reported, the date of the alleged incident, the names of the agencies the incidents were reported to, and a description of the evidence provided to support the allegation of the incident.***

NMH response: There is no record of any incidents of this nature occurring at NMH during the specified timeframe.

***5. The total number of incidents involving an allegation that a member of the public had gained unauthorised access to a surgical theatre or pathology laboratory, between 1 May 2019 and 13 August 2019, and in the event there were such incidents reported, the date of the alleged incident, the names of the agencies the incidents were reported to, and a description of the evidence provided to support the allegation of the incident.***

NMH response: There is no record of any incidents of this nature occurring at NMH during the specified timeframe.

***6. The total number of incidents involving an allegation that a DHB employee had engaged in the interception of private email communications between a patient and a DHB employee, between 1 January 2019 and 29 May 2020, and in the event there were such incidents reported, the dates of the incidents, the names of the agencies the incidents were reported to, a description of the evidence provided to support the allegation of the incident, and the outcome of the investigation into the incidents (e.g., District or High Court Case Number, Privacy Commissioner ruling, Ombudsman decision, Human Rights Tribunal ruling, etc.).***

NMH response: There is no record of any incidents of this nature occurring at NMH during the specified timeframe.

<sup>1</sup> Nelson Marlborough District Health Board

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If you have any questions about this decision please feel free to email our OIA Coordinator [OIArequest@nmdhb.govt.nz](mailto:OIArequest@nmdhb.govt.nz). I trust that this information meets your requirements. NMH, like other agencies across the state sector, supports the open disclosure of information to assist the public's understanding of how we are delivering publicly-funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released. If you feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P Bramley', written over a horizontal line.

Dr Peter Bramley  
**Chief Executive**