



**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT**

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Ms Bronwyn Drysdale
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Dear Ms Drysdale,

On 24 November 2015, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development requesting, under the Official Information Act the following information:

- 1) *How many pregnant women under the age of 25 were there that presented to the three District Health Boards (Wellington region CCDHB; Hutt Valley DHB; and Wairarapa DHB) each year between 2010 and 2015:*
 - 1a) *What was the proportional ethnicity data in relation to this total number?*
 - 2) *How many to the same hospitals, presented with a history of CYF involvement during their own childhood?*
or were identified at presentation or during care provision as having "vulnerable pregnancies"?
and / or gave birth to children who presented to hospital emergency or paediatric departments and were subsequently flagged as vulnerable, thereby requiring external support or intervention, or CYFS overview before the age of one?
 - 3) *How many women under 25 years living within this specific catchment area of the three DHB's domiciles, had babies that were uplifted by CYFS due to lack of safety for the infant within the two years?*

This letter is to clarify that questions (1), (1a), and (2) have been transferred (Section 14(b)(i), Official Information Act 1982) and will be responded to by each of the three District Health Boards directly. The Ministry of Social Development will provide a response to question (3) as soon as we are able.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my decision to transfer your request by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
P O Box 10-152
WELLINGTON 6143

Yours sincerely

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