



20 April 2022

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Dear [Redacted]

Official Information Act Request

On 22 March 2022 the Ministry of Health transferred your Official Information Act request regarding COVID 19 hospitalisations to district health boards.

- Covid hospitalisation directly related to covid and covid only.
- Covid hospitalisation where patient was admitted for another reason and covid was detected after arriving at the hospital.

Please see the information listed below for the period 1 March 2020 to 21 February 2022. Caution is advised in comparing the data below to that of other DHBs, who may have used different methodology to extract the data requested.

Year	Month	Admitted for COVID	Admitted with COVID
2020	March	3	0
2020	April	3	0
2020	May	0	1
2020	June	0	0
2020	July	0	0
2020	August	0	0
2020	September	0	0
2020	October	0	0
2020	November	0	0
2020	December	0	0
2021	January	0	0
2021	February	0	0
2021	March	0	0
2021	April	0	0
2021	May	0	0
2021	June	0	0
2021	July	0	0
2021	August	0	0
2021	September	0	0

2021	October	0	0
2021	November	4	0
2021	December	0	0
2022	January	2	0
2022	To 21 February	8	0

- *ICU and HDU beds used for covid only infections.*
- *ICU and HDU beds used for non-covid conditions where a covid test after arriving at the hospital showed infection.*

Whangarei Hospital has a combined ICU/HDU. We have no ICU/HDU beds used only for COVID infectious patients; bed allocation is based on demand and clinical acuity.

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If you have any queries about Northland DHB's response to your information request please contact me.

Yours sincerely



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