

17 May 2019

Dear [REDACTED]

**Official information request W19-336**

I refer to your official information request dated 26 April 2019.

**Request:**

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)
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

**Response:**

The information you have requested is below.

1. Wairarapa DHB (WrDHB) has not have any children requiring intersex surgery over this time frame.
2. WrDHB does not have a specific policy relating to intersex people's health care. Any policies/procedures relating to intersex children's health care will administered by Capital and Coast DHB. WrDHB abides by the Code of Health and Disability Services Consumer Rights. More information can be found on our website [www.wairarapa.dhb.org.nz/patients-and-visitors/your-rights/](http://www.wairarapa.dhb.org.nz/patients-and-visitors/your-rights/).

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If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact:

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Yours sincerely



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