

28th February 2022

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Official Information Act Request for – C Sections

I write in response to your Official Information Act request received by us 17th February 2022, you requested the following information:

- How many caesarean sections in the past 5 years, if any, have also had simultaneous tubal ligations at the time of the caesarean section, listed as dual procedures in total and per capita women aged 20-45 by year?

Counties Manukau Health Response:

For context Counties Manukau Health (CM Health) employs over 8,500 staff and provides health and support services to people living in the Counties Manukau region (approx. 601,490 people). We see over 118,000 people in our Emergency Department each year, and over 2,000 visitors come through Middlemore Hospital daily.

Our services are delivered via hospital, outpatient, ambulatory and community-based models of care. We provide regional and supra-regional specialist services i.e. for orthopaedics, plastics, burns and spinal services. There are also several specialist services provided including tertiary surgical services, medical services, mental health and addiction services.

- How many caesarean sections in the past 5 years, if any, have also had simultaneous tubal ligations at the time of the caesarean section, listed as dual procedures in total and per capita women aged 20-45 by year?
Please refer to the below table.

Calendar Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Simultaneous Tubal ligation and CS	78	87	64	50	62
CM Health Population Female age 20-44	96380	98380	100380	102800	105140
% of CM Health female population age 20-44	0.08%	0.09%	0.06%	0.05%	0.06%

Source: Health Intelligence & Informatics 24.02.2022

I trust this information answers your request. You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response or an edited version of this may be published on the Counties Manukau Health website. If you consider there are good reasons why this response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider this.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Watson', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Dr Peter Watson
Acting Chief Executive Officer
Counties Manukau Health