

5th April 2022



Official Information Act Request for - Dieticians Resourcing

I write in response to your Official Information Act request received by us 18th March 2022, you requested the following information:

- 1. The actual number of Dietitians i.e., headcount and FTE
- 2. The actual number of Dietitian Assistants i.e., headcount and FTE
- 3. The actual number of Dietitian Interns i.e., headcount and FTE
- 4. The number of resignations and pending resignations since 18 March 2021 broken down into Dietitians, Dietitian Assistants, and Dietitian Interns.

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.

 The actual number of Dietitians – i.e., headcount and FTE Please refer to the table below.

CMDHB Dieticians Headcount and FTE	
Headcount	41
FTE	35.1

2. The actual number of Dietitian Assistants – i.e., headcount and FTE Please refer to the table below.

CMDHB Dietician Assistants Headcount and FTE	
Headcount	1
FTE	0.5

3. The actual number of Dietitian Interns - i.e., headcount and FTE

CMDHB does not employ any Dietician Interns.

4. The number of resignations and pending resignations since 18 March 2021 broken down into Dietitians, Dietitian Assistants, and Dietitian Interns.

There are a total of 9 resignations, 3 pending. No resignations for Dietician Assistants and we do not currently employ Dietician Interns.

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

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