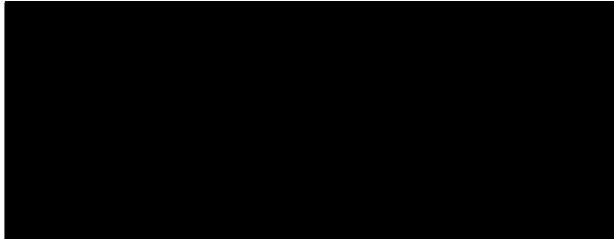


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Re Official Information Request – Surgery for Crohn's and colitis related illnesses

I refer to your official information request dated 4 August 2020 requesting the following information:

How many patients have undergone surgery for Crohn's and Colitis-related illnesses in the Auckland DHB area over the last five years? Please break this down by hospital and year if possible.

Admit Year	No of patients	No of surgeries
2015	78	91
2016	73	93
2017	87	108
2018	98	115
2019	88	109

Please note:

- Same patient can/may have been admitted more than once to have surgery.
- Numbers are based on admissions in calendar year.

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 response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours faithfully



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Chief Executive