

21 March 2019

Email: _____

Re: Official Information Act

Dear _____

I am responding on behalf of Hauora Tairāwhiti (Tairāwhiti DHB) to your OIA Request of 28 February regarding the rural adjuster fund.

Our response to your request:

For each of the past three years ending June 2016, June 2017 and June 2018 what was the DHBs Rural Adjuster funding component of the PBFF funding pool?

Hauora Tairāwhiti is not made aware of the individual components of the PBFF funding pool, and cannot comment on the funding received. We therefore cannot provide who much was specifically received for the Rural Adjuster.

Does the DHB fund and provide rural hospital services?

If Yes, continue to answer questions 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3. If no, go to question 3

2.1 Provide the following information about the rural hospitals in your DHB.

If there are none, please report this.

- **Name or location of hospital**
- **List of services the hospital provides**
- **The business structure of the hospital e.g. DHB owned and operated / NGO or Iwi owned and operated**
- **Annual Budget**

Question	Response NGO IWI Operated
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Name or location of hospital	<i>Te Whare Hauora o Ngati Porou</i>
List of services the hospital provides	<i>Emergency Department, Ward, Maternity, Aged Related Residential Care, radiology</i>
business structure of the hospital	<i>Owned and operated by Iwi Health Provider Ngati Porou Hauora</i>
Annual Budget	<i>\$2,657,375</i>

How is the annual budget for each of the rural hospitals listed in the table in 2.1 set?

Historical agreement - annual budget is based on the DHB agreed increment, which reflects DHBs funding increment

How does the DHB apply the annual rural adjuster funding to the benefit of each of the rural hospitals listed in the table in question 2.1?

Hauora Tairāwhiti passes on the District increment to all providers including rural providers, there is no specific adjustment for rural hospitals.

Does the DHB fund and provide rural community services?

If yes, continue to answer questions 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3. If no, go to question 3

3.1 Provide the following information about the rural community services in your DHB.

If there are none, please report this.

- Location of services
- List of Community services in each location
- The business structure of the service provider eg DHB owned and operated / NGO or Iwi owned and operated
- Annual Budget.

Question	Response
Location of Service	<i>East Coast of Tairāwhiti</i> <i>and Western Rural Area of Tairāwhiti</i>
List of Community services in each location	<i>Primary Care Services</i> <i>Rural Nursing Services</i> <i>Well Child</i> <i>Rural Dental</i> <i>Allied Health</i> <i>Home Support</i> <i>Community Transport</i> <i>Whanua Ora</i> <i>Community Mental Health Services</i> <i>Falls Prevention</i> <i>Aged Related Residential Care</i> <i>Tobacco Control</i>
business structure of the Service Provider	<i>Iwi Health Provider - Ngati Porou Hauora</i> <i>Iwi Health Provider - Te Hauora o Turanganui a Kiwa Limited</i>
Annual Budget	\$6,362,753

How is the annual budget for the community services listed in the table in 3.1 set?
 Historical agreement - annual budget is based on the DHB agreed increment, which reflects DHBs funding increment

How does the DHB apply the annual rural adjuster funding to the benefit of each of the rural community listed in the table in question 3.1?

Hauora Tairāwhiti passes on the District increment to all providers including rural providers, there is no specific adjustment for rural services.

For each of the past three years, under each of the components of the Rural Adjuster, quantify the allocation of Rural Adjuster funding through the DHBs contracts with its contracted providers or Service Level Alliance Teams.

- **Small hospital facilities**
- **Community services**
- **Offshore Islands**
- **Travel and Accommodation**
- **Inter hospital transfers**
- **Governance**
- **Rural GP/PHO payments**

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Does the DHB include reporting requirements specific to the use of rural adjuster funding in its contracts with service providers whose contract includes rural adjuster funding.

No

If you are not satisfied with this response you may contact the Office of the Ombudsmen, phone 0800 802 602.

Please note this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Hauora Tairāwhiti DHB website. Your personal/identifying information will be redacted from any responses published.

If you feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider this.

Ngā mihi,

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