



24/08/2020



By way of email only: [Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]

**Official Information Act request: Movement of the RMO year**

Thank you for your request for information dated 27 July 2020. You have requested:

*“Pursuant to section 12 of the Official Information Act 1982 the New Zealand Resident Doctors Association requests the following information:*

- 1. All and any correspondence held by Waikato District Health Board pertaining to movement of the RMO medical year on a permanent basis since 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2020.”***

Please find attached internal correspondence from Waikato DHB in relation to a proposed change to the RMO year.

All negotiations were undertaken by Central TAS on our behalf. We understand that copies of this correspondence has already provided to you by TAS.

The consultation document is readily available from the TAS website which further outlines the changes. As you are able to access this information yourself, we have not provided a copy and are refusing this part of the request relying on section 18(d) of the Official Information Act.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or

Waikato DHB supports the open disclosure of information to assist community understanding of how we are delivering publically funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released.

I trust this answers your query.

Yours sincerely

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