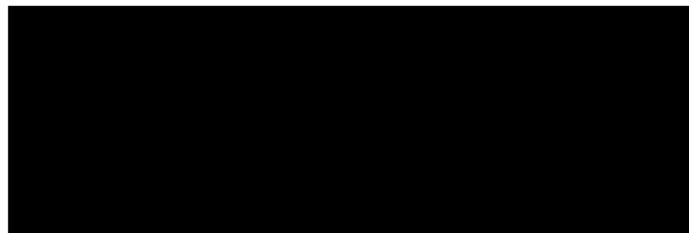


25 July 2019



Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), transferred from MidCentral District Health Board (DHB) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry), on 27 June 2019 for:

"All dates from September 2018 to 13 June 2019, where death notifications have been submitted to the Ministry of Health, the dates of deaths and who completed the death notification."

Information held by the Ministry pertaining to your request is outlined below. This information is categorised into when the notification was submitted to the Ministry, and the date of death.

#	Date submitted to the Ministry	Date of death
1	13 October 2018	1 October 2018
2	28 November 2018	18 November 2018

The Ministry does not hold any information relating to 'who completed the death notification' for these events. This part of your request is therefore refused under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information you have requested is not held by this department, and is not believed to be held by another agency subject to the Act.

You may be interested to know that the overseeing Director of Area Mental Health Services during this time period was Dr Richard Barrass.

I trust this information fulfils your request. Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made on this request.

Please note this response (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Ministry of Health website.

Yours sincerely



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