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## Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 29 July 2019, for:

"We would like to know the number of approvals sought by DHBs under section 43(2) of the NZPHDA 2000 to lease land for a term greater than five years, and the number of approvals given, for the time periods:

- (1) 26 Oct 2017 till the current day
- (2) 19 November 2008 to 25 Oct 2017"

Between 26 October 2017 and 29 July 2019, nine approvals were sought by district health boards under s 43(2) of Schedule 3 of the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 (NZPHDA). All nine were given approval.

Between 19 November 2008 and 25 October 2017, 43 approvals were sought under s 43(2) of Schedule 3 of the NZPHDA and were also all approved.

Approvals under this section of the NZPHDA include the leases of land (and buildings if applicable), licenses to occupy, and the granting of easements over land.

I trust that this information fulfils your request. Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request.

Yours sincerely

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