

10 May 2022

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By email: s 9(2)(a)  
Ref: H202205174

Tēnā koe s 9(2)(a)

### Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), which was transferred from The Treasury to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 5 April 2022 for:

*“Would you please provide by way of a schedule, for the years ended 30 June 2000 to 30 June 2021 inclusive, the total funds under the following headings:*

*Crown Revenue*

*The total amount actually received each year as Crown Revenue with respect to the capital charges paid by District Health Boards (I do not require this information by DHB);*

*The total amount actually received as Crown Revenue from Specified Health Payments, otherwise known as the capital charge in the early years of the century.*

*Appropriations*

*The total appropriations actually paid (not the Budget appropriation) to DHBs (I do not require this information by DHB) for:*

- 1. Deficit support;*
- 2. Equity support for deficits (the terminology in Vote Health differs from year to year);*
- 3. Structural deficit support, and what is meant by "structural support;"*
- 4. The total actually paid to DHBs to fund the capital charge.*

*I have endeavoured to extract the above data from each year's Vote Health but the format of the Vote Health documents in each budget is not consistent from year to year. For example, up to 2007 Crown Revenue reported the amounts paid by DHBs to the Crown for the capital charge but that information was not provided in subsequent Vote Health documents, hence my request. I have not been able to find this information anywhere else.”*

Document 1 attached to this letter contains the amounts paid by district health boards (DHBs) to the Crown for capital charge and the amounts paid as deficit support for the period from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2021.

The information you requested regarding the approved funding specifically associated for capital charge is not available. Funding was devolved to the DHBs in the late 1990s and formed part of the total funding envelope from that point, and the total funding is provided to buy services that include input costs, including capital charge. Each year, adjustments are

made to increase or decrease funding depending upon the results of asset revaluations. There was a large exercise to remove debt from the DHBs in 2015 and 2016, with an associated increase in the capital charge paid and the funding provided. In recent years, there have also been adjustments made to the level of capital charge funding to compensate for Crown capital injections for major projects.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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Document 1

	Year ending:																					
	30/06/2000	30/06/2001	30/06/2002	30/06/2003	30/06/2004	30/06/2005	30/06/2006	30/06/2007	30/06/2008	30/06/2009	30/06/2010	30/06/2011	30/06/2012	30/06/2013	30/06/2014	30/06/2015	30/06/2016	30/06/2017	30/06/2018	30/06/2019	30/06/2020	30/06/2021
Capital Charge Paid		108,800	87,000	95,477	147,492	180,197	109,137	137,572	176,116	151,160	159,392	158,796	163,043	173,807	191,082	194,350	203,941	183,515	325,984	333,511	302,267	249,586
Deficit Support / Equity Support for Deficits / Structural Deficit Support				145,292	77,548	90,000	40,500	2,400	29,800	73,490	110,000	62,960	18,850	19,400	16,100	13,500	14,000	37,700	69,300	234,211	430,000	240,000
Capital Charge Funding	108,800																					

Source: [Vote Health Supplementary Estimates - budgets rather than actuals](#)  
[Ministry of Health Annual Reports for the relevant year - actuals](#)

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