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Response to a request for official information



Thank you for your request for official information received 8 May 2019 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹, where you seek the following information:

Please provide details about the cost to the district health board of paying senior doctors to provide cover during all of the five strikes by members of the Resident Doctors Association so far this year. The dates are Jan 15-16; Jan 29-30; Feb 12-13; Feb 26-27; April 29-May 3

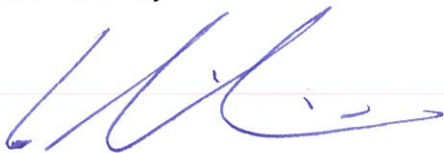
A total of \$218,850 has been paid to senior medical staff-within the 2018/19 financial year, to 31 March 2019, for cover of the resident medical officers strikes. Note payment relating to the April 29 – May 3 strike cannot be confirmed until early June.

This response has been provided under the Official Information Act 1982. You have the right to seek an investigation by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or free phone 0800 802 602.

If you have any questions about this decision please feel free to email our OIA Coordinator OIArequest@nmdhb.govt.nz

Please note that this letter (with your personal information removed), or an edited version of this letter, may be published on the Nelson Marlborough Health website.

Yours sincerely



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¹ Nelson Marlborough District Health Board