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Response to a request for official information



Thank you for your request for official information as transferred from the Ministry of Health and received 3 April 2019 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹, followed by the necessary extension of time 3 May 2019, where you seek the following information:

- 1. How much senior doctors were paid, on top of their salary, to cover a shift for striking junior doctors in 2019?**

A total of \$218,850 has been paid to 43 senior medical staff within the 2018/19 financial year, to 31 March 2019, for cover of the registered medical officers strikes.

- 2. How many senior doctors were paid this extra amount?**

Refer response to Question 1.

- 3. And across how many extra shifts?**

NMH has not recorded the number of shifts covered but does record the number of hours that have been covered. This totals 612 hours within the 2018/19 financial year, to 31 March 2019.

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