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Response to a request for official information

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Thank you for your request for official information received 25 September 2020 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹, where you seek the following information:

1. *The actual number of psychotherapists employed by the DHB*
2. *The actual number of psychotherapists engaged as contractors by the DHB*
3. *The number of psychotherapists on each salary step*
4. *For continuing professional development for DHB employed psychotherapists:*
 - a. *Total budget for 2018 and 2020*
 - b. *Total spend for 2018 and 2019*

NMH does not employ anyone with the title 'Psychotherapist'.

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 OIRequest@nmdhb.govt.nz. I trust that this information meets your requirements. NMH, like other agencies across the state sector, supports the open disclosure of information to assist the public's understanding of how we are delivering publicly-funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released. If you feel that there are good reasons why your response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider.

Yours sincerely



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¹ Nelson Marlborough District Health Board