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Response to a request for official information

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for official information received 28 January 2019 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹ where you seek the following information.

- ***Recorded cases of organ failure; brain damage; and death related to heat-stroke and/or sun-stroke by the DHB in the calendar years (January 1 to December 31) in 2014, 15, 16, 17 and 2018, broken down by year and type of injury.***

NMH responds with <5 presentations since 2014 that have been electronically recorded as a result of 'heat stroke and/or sunstroke'. The exact number is withheld to maintain the privacy of natural persons, and as such NMH declines to release further information under Section 9(2)(a) 'to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons'. In the circumstances, the withholding of that information is not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

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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Chief Executive

cc: Ministry of Health via email: SectorOIAs@moh.govt.nz

¹ Nelson Marlborough District Health Board