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Response to a request for official information

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your request for official information received 13 March 2020 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH)¹, followed by the necessary extension of time 14 April 2020, where you seek the following information:

***I would like a detailed breakdown of any and all incidents relating to equipment not being properly sterilised by the District Health Board from March 2020.
Please clarify if the lack of sterilisation was picked up before or after patient exposure.***

NMH response: The DHB has no recorded incidents for the specified timeframe.

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 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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P Bramley', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Dr Peter Bramley
Chief Executive

¹ Nelson Marlborough District Health Board