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Nelson, New Zealand

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**Response to a request for official information**



Thank you for your request for official information received 13 September 2021 by Nelson Marlborough Health (NMH), where you seek the following information:

- 1. The number of privacy breaches you have recorded to date this calendar year, ie from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021. Not just the breaches that have been reported to our office but the number of breaches recorded by your DHB.***

Response:

There were 40 reported breaches during the specified timeframe, however that figure does not represent actual breaches following investigation, and our reporting system does not allow us to differentiate between reported and actual breaches.

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](http://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](mailto: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

Eric Sinclair  
**Acting Chief Executive**