

05 April 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT (1982) REQUEST HBDHB REF: OIA2022024

I refer to your Official Information Act request transferred to district health boards by the Ministry of Health on 9 March 2022 where you requested information from Hawke's Bay District Health Board (HBDHB). Your questions and HBDHB's response are provided below:

"I would like to have the cost related to treating a covid Patient in these cases

- ICU/HDU

- Normal ward

- Cost of nurses visiting patients not in hospital

Can these costs be put in a spread sheet for one day on average cost also importantly the average time each patient is in these states."

Please note that the Ministry sought clarification on the "cost of nurses visiting patients NOT in hospital" as follows:

"Cost of nurses visiting patients not in hospital"

This may include areas such as aged residential care, palliative care, but also any outreach visits for nurses seeing/treating COVID patients isolating at home.

Please see the below table which answers the questions above.

Please note the rates shown are an average based on direct budget ward and ICU cost and includes medical, allied health and direct administration support.

	Average Daily Cost	Units	Average Time
ICU	\$3,511	Bed Days	7.0
Normal Ward	\$669	Bed Days	5.9
Nurse Visit	\$111	Visits	Not Available

I trust this information meets your needs. If you would like any further information or clarification please phone me. If you are not satisfied with this response you may contact the Office of the Ombudsman, phone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Hawke's Bay DHB website after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Boyd', is positioned above the printed name.

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