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WHANGANUI
DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD
Te Poari Hauora o Whanganui

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Tēnā koe Pete

Official Information Act Request – OIA 13473 Gift Registers

On 7 May 2021, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

1. Please provide the gift registers held by the DHB about gifts/contributions/received items given to DHB employees (including medical professionals) for the following years: 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016.
2. Please provide records held regarding of any flights provided, paid for or subsidised by pharmaceutical or medical equipment companies to employees of the DHB (including medical professionals) in the following years: 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016.
3. Please provide any information the DHB holds regarding professional affiliations, board roles or advisory positions held by employees of the DHB (including medical professionals) in connection to pharmaceutical or medical equipment companies. If possible, break these affiliations down by the following years: 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016.

Whanganui District Health Boards response:

- 1. Please provide the gift registers held by the DHB about gifts/contributions/received items given to DHB employees (including medical professionals) for the following years: 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016.**

Employees must not accept gifts from any source without prior approval from the relevant General Manager. All donations, gifts, hospitality or sponsorship must be declared. Employees must not solicit or accept gifts from patients, suppliers, or other providers without the prior approval of the Chief Executive. Including any offer to provide or fund travel, accommodation, attendance at and conference fees, grants, gifts, donations or corporate hospitality

Exceptions are those items or offers of minimal value such as:

- boxes of chocolates
- minor industry give-aways (pens, calendars, calculators, diaries etc)
- a bunch of flowers

No notifications or declarations have been received during the 2018/2019, 2019/20, and to date in the 2020/21 financial year.

- 2. Please provide records held regarding any flights provided, paid by or subsidised by pharmaceutical or medical equipment companies to employees of the DHB (including medical professionals) in the following years: 2020,2019,2018,2017, 2016.**

Nil

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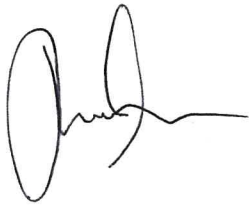
Please provide any information the DHB holds regarding professional affiliations, board roles or advisory positions held by employees of the DHB (including medical professionals) in connection to pharmaceutical or medical equipment companies. If possible, break these affiliations down by the following years: 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016.

No WDHB employee declared any professional affiliations, board roles or advisory positions in connection to pharmaceutical or medical equipment companies.

One part-time employee declared a small shareholding affiliation (since 2016) in relation to a medical equipment company.

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz

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Russell Simpson
Chief Executive