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Official Information Act Request - OIA 13674 ED RMO FTE

On 29 July 2021, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

1. RMO FTE as at 1 July 2021 on ED runs for each ED department, broken down into House Officer and Registrar.
2. RMO FTE as at 1 July 2016 on ED runs for each ED department, broken down into House Officer and Registrar.
3. Patient volumes in ED by month for the last five years.
4. Patient presentations in ED in January 2021 and June 2021 broken down by time band (as below) and day of the week:
 - a. 0800 to 1600 hours
 - b. 1600 to 0000 hours
 - c. 0000-0800 hours.

Whanganui District Health Boards response:

- 1. RMO FTE as at 1 July 2021 on ED runs for each ED department, broken down into House Officer and Registrar.**
11 RMOs, on 1 July 3 of these RMOs were Registrars
- 2. RMO FTE as at 1 July 2016 on ED runs for each ED department, broken down into House Officer and Registrar.**
6 RMOs, No Registrars
- 3. Patient volumes in ED by month for the last five years.**

Assuming patient volumes means attendances. No exclusions are defined in the question, therefore patients who arrived, but did not wait for treatment, are included in the numbers below. Dates from August 2016 to July 2021 inclusive. Pivoted to avoid very long table:

ED Attends	Month											
Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2016								1727	1744	1757	1755	1846
2017	1729	1698	1854	1575	1880	1889	2092	1890	1818	1788	1761	1933
2018	1933	1808	1884	1776	1859	1746	1846	1994	1725	1935	1969	2003
2019	1937	1804	1827	1627	1872	1881	1882	2042	2068	1977	1769	1931
2020	1876	1889	1745	1293	1584	1755	1817	1867	1750	2036	2018	2076
2021	2001	1852	1902	1746	1846	1969	2116					

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4. Patient presentations in ED in January 2021 and June 2021 broken down by time band (as below) and day of the week:

- a. 0800 to 1600 hours**
- b. 1600 to 0000 hours**
- c. 0000-0800 hours.**

Table below contains data to answer all questions 4.a) to 4.c) above. Same criteria around inclusions applied as per question 3.

Time brackets adjusted to avoid overlap/duplication of data (e.g. visits at 0800 could otherwise be counted in both the 0000-0800 and 0800-1600 numbers). Modified times visible in below table.

Time Bracket:	0000-0759	0800-1559	1600-2359
2021			
January	325	875	801
1 - Monday	39	116	119
2 - Tuesday	45	122	94
3 - Wednesday	43	109	95
4 - Thursday	33	129	115
5 - Friday	61	146	127
6 - Saturday	48	125	135
7 - Sunday	56	128	116
June	349	881	739
1 - Monday	42	134	84
2 - Tuesday	61	139	121
3 - Wednesday	61	166	123
4 - Thursday	33	129	97
5 - Friday	52	126	97
6 - Saturday	45	96	97
7 - Sunday	55	91	120

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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