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By email: 9(2)(a)

Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

## Official Information Act 1982 – HNZ00017793 / OIA2023050101

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request of 1 May 2023 for information relating to costs in Aged Residential Care in the Wellington Region. Specifically:

- 1. I would like a breakdown of daily costs for hospital level care in ANY aged care facility within the Wellington region.*
- 2. I would also like a detailed explanation of why there is an annual increase in the daily rate for hospital level care and what these increases cover if the services decrease due to staffing issues.*

### Response

- 1. I would like a breakdown of daily costs for hospital level care in ANY aged care Facility within the Wellington region.***

Across the country aged residential care beds are partially funded by providing a government subsidy for bed day rates only. The rates differ across the territorial land authorities, and are set annually by the Director General of Health. In the Wellington region the bed day rates for standard hospital level care from 1 September 2022 are as follows:

Kāpiti	- \$290.41
Porirua	- \$290.41
Wellington	- \$296.75
Lower Hutt	- \$293.40
Upper Hutt	- \$288.90

We do not capture data on any additional daily costs for hospital level of care in any of the facilities in the Wellington region. Accordingly this aspect of your request is refused under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information is not held by Te Whatu Ora or any other organisation we are aware of.

- 2. I would also like a detailed explanation of why there is an annual increase in the daily rate for hospital level care and what these increases cover if the services decrease due to staffing issues***

There is an annual increase across the national Age-Related Residential Care contract and related bed day rates to support inflation pressures, which is determined by Te Whatu Ora head office. It is up to individual facilities as to how they manage the distribution of their funding taking into consideration all related costs in running a hospital-level care facility.

If you have any questions, you can contact us at [h.nzOIA@health.govt.nz](mailto:h.nzOIA@health.govt.nz).

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Te Whatu Ora may proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All requester data including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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