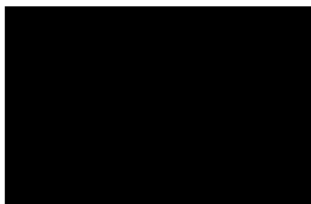


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Dear 

Thank you for your application under the Freedom of Information Act 1989 (the Act), received by ACT Health on 3 February 2016, in which you requested access to documents relating to The number of Code Black's in ACT Health Facilities in 2014 and 2015 calendar years.

As Executive Director, Business and Infrastructure, I am an officer authorised under section 22 of the Act to make a decision in relation to your request.

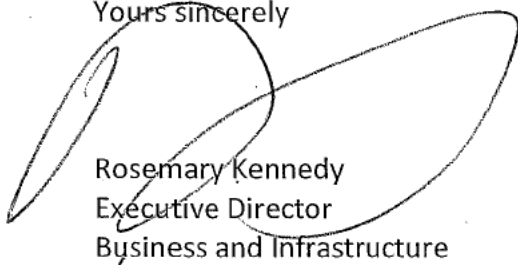
Section 16 of the Act (Attachment A) states that, where information is not available in discrete form in documents of the agency, an agency may produce a document containing the information sought in a discreet form. ACT Health has produced two tables that provide the information requested.

Under section 54 of the Act, if you are concerned about the processing of your request or related administrative matters, you may complain to the Ombudsman, who may conduct an independent investigation into your complaint. There is no fee for this, and the contact details are as follows:

The Ombudsman  
GPO Box 442  
CANBERRA ACT 2601

If you have any queries concerning ACT Health's processing of your request, or would like further information, please contact the Freedom of Information Coordinator on: (02) 6205 1340 or via email at: [HealthFOI@act.gov.au](mailto:HealthFOI@act.gov.au)

Yours sincerely



Rosemary Kennedy  
Executive Director  
Business and Infrastructure

29 February 2016

**Requests involving use of computers etc**

- (1) Where—
- (a) a request (including a request of the kind described in section 23 (1)) is made in accordance with the requirements of section 14 (2) to an agency or to a Minister; and
  - (b) it appears from the request that the desire of the applicant is for information that is not available in discrete form in documents of the agency or in official documents of the Minister, as the case may be; and
  - (c) the agency or the Minister, as the case may be, could produce a written document containing the information in discrete form by—
    - (i) the use of a computer or other equipment that is ordinarily available to the agency or ordinarily available in an office of the Minister, as the case may be, for retrieving or collating stored information; or
    - (ii) the making of a transcript from a sound recording held in the agency or in an office of the Minister, as the case may be;
- the agency or the Minister, as the case may be, shall deal with the request as if it were a request for access to a written document so produced and containing that information and, for that purpose, this Act applies as if the agency or the Minister, as the case may be, were in possession of such a document.
- (2) An agency or a Minister is not required to comply with subsection (1) if compliance would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of the agency, or of an office of the Minister, as the case may be, from its other operations.

**SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS**

██████████ regarding Code Blacks in ACT Health Facilities - FO116/3

FOLIO	ITEM	DATE	STATUS	REASON FOR EXEMPTION	Internet publication – YES/NO – if no, why not
1	Table A: Figures of Code Blacks that occurred at ACT Health facilities during 2014 and 2015 calendar years, broken down month by month, year by year.	Feb 2016	Full Release		Yes
1	Table B: Figures of Code Blacks that occurred at ACT Health facilities during 2014 and 2015 calendar years and resulted in staff injury, broken down month by month, year by year.	Feb 2016	Full Release		Yes

**Table A:**

Code Blacks activated at all ACT Health facilities for the 2014 and 2015 calendar years, broken down into year by year, month by month.

Month-Year	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14
Number	72	52	65	59	88	66	80	65	86	108	86	110

Month-Year	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15
Number	107	94	89	57	57	79	82	81	87	109	76	91

**Table B:**

Code Blacks activated at all ACT Health facilities for the 2014 and 2015 calendar years resulting in staff injury, broken down into year by year, month by month.

Month-Year	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14
Number	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

Month-Year	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15
Number	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1

**Note:**

- This report has been produced by ACT Health, under Section 16 of the *Freedom of Information Act 1989*, in order to satisfy the applicant's request.
- Data from Table A was produced using ACT Health's Security Riskman system based on code black activations for the specified period. The totality of code black responses indicates total duress button activations, including false alarms.
- Data from Table B was produced by manually reviewing individual Riskman incident reports where the term 'code black' was included for the specified period. Each incident which directly resulted in an injury to a staff member has been included in the table.
- Reporting of any incident in Riskman is voluntary.