

REF: FOI:17-4



Dear

Thank you for your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* (the Act), received by ACT Health on 16 January 2017, in which you requested access to documents relating to information on specific hospital billings for 2015-16 financial year.

As Deputy Director-General, Corporate, 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 Attachment B that provides 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

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Director-General

Corporate

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16 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.

FOR THE 2015-16 FINANCIAL YEAR

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT 'DID NOT WAIT' BILLINGS

 How many patients were triaged in the emergency department (ED) but left before being seen by a doctor?

There were 6,301 Emergency Department did not waits.

 How much funding did the hospitals (all public) in your State/Territory receive for patients that were triaged in ED but left before being seen by a doctor?
\$1,704,772

Note

- 1. The figures reported are in relation to the ACT Local Hospital Network, which covers both Canberra Hospital and Calvary Public Hospital Bruce.
- 2. Unit price was calculated with reference to the ACT Local Hospital Network Service Level Agreement 2015-16.
- 3. This analysis is based on hospital activity year 2015-16.

'HOSPITAL IN THE HOME' BILLINGS

- How many patients received 'Hospital in the home' services? There were 5,439 patients who received Hospital in the Home services.
- How much funding (territory and federal not private) did the hospitals in your State/Territory receive for the provision of 'Hospital in the home' services?
 \$8,430,077

Note

- 1. The figures reported are in relation to the ACT Local Hospital Network, which covers both Canberra Hospital and Calvary Public Hospital Bruce.
- 2. Hospital in the Home activity was isolated based on both Admission ward and Discharge ward being Hospital in the Home wards.
- 3. Unit price was calculated with reference to the ACT Local Hospital Network Service Level Agreement 2015-16.
- 4. This analysis is based on hospital activity year 2015-16.

MBS OUTPATIENT BILLINGS

 How many non-admitted patient care services, were provided in outpatient medical consultation clinics?

There were 155,695 non admitted specialist appointments occasions of service.

- How many non-admitted patient care services, were provided in outpatient medical consultation clinics, that were funded through the Medicare Benefits Schedule – broken down by items number
- How much funding did the hospitals in your State/Territory-receive for services of the services of the provided to non-admitted patients in outpatient medical consultation clinics funded through the MBS

| | Medicare Funded | | |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Item number | count of item numbers | \$ received | |
| 23 | 12 | | |
| 36 | 135 | • | 9,679.50 |
| 43 | 1 | • | 39.70 |
| 44 | 106 | | 11,188.30 |
| 52 | 1 | | |
| 53 | 1,327 | - | |
| 54 | 704 | • | |
| 57 | 182 | • | |
| 104 | 3,919 | | 285,605.05 |
| 105 | 8,321 | | 304,132.55 |
| 106 | 1 | \$ | 60.35 |
| 109 | 71 | \$ | 11,636.90 |
| 110 | 6,364 | \$ | 816,437.10 |
| 112 | 3 | \$ \$ \$ | 136.40 |
| 113 | 4 | | 218.40 |
| 116 | 32,660 | \$ | 2,096,818.00 |
| 122 | 1 | \$ | 155.65 |
| 132 | 2,760 | \$ | 619,206.00 |
| 133 | 1,151 | \$ | 129,181.55 |
| 135 | 6 | \$ \$ | 1,346.10 |
| 137 | 1 | \$ | 224.35 |
| 141 | 181 | \$ | 69,648.80 |
| 143 | 92 | \$ | 22,130.60 |
| 145 | 26 | \$ | 12,211.90 |
| 291 | 42 | \$ | 16,161.60 |
| 296 | 21 | \$ | 4,647.30 |
| 302 | 109 | \$ | 8,011.50 |
| 304 | 268 | \$ | 30,324.20 |
| 306 | 64 | \$ | 9,993.60 |
| 413 | 1 | \$ \$ \$ | 103.45 |
| 444 | 1 | \$ | 15.70 |
| 530 | 1 | \$ | 391.30 |
| 2603 | 46 | \$ | 1,748.00 |
| 2801 | 221 | \$ | 28,354.30 |
| 2806 | 769 | \$ | 49,369.80 |
| total | 59,572 | \$ 4,605,354.55 | |

Note - assumptions:

- consultation item number only
- item status of complete or waiting on ERA (will be paid)
- noting that we are still able to process claims for this period for 2 years post date of service.
- this data is accurate as at 23 January 2017
- this data will include all service dates as per above regardless of paid date
- this does not include DVA funded services