

Dear [REDACTED]

### **DECISION ON YOUR ACCESS APPLICATION**

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (FOI Act), received by ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) on **Thursday 7 April 2022**.

This application requested access to:

*'Please supply the following statistics for the ACT:*

- *Number of cases of heart attack in 2019*
- *Number of cases of heart attack in 2020*
- *Number of cases of heart attack in 2021'*

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General of ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) under section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act. ACTHD was required to provide a decision on your access application by **Tuesday 10 May 2022**.

The information has been extracted into one document holding the information within the scope of your access application. The document was created for the purpose of your request and captures information sourced from the ACT Health data repository system for all statistics from the ACT Health public health system only as we do not hold data for all of ACT.

#### **Decisions**

I have decided to grant full access to one document.

My access decisions are detailed further in the following statement of reasons and the documents released to you are provided as [Attachment A](#) to this letter.

In reaching my access decision, I have taken the following into account:

- The FOI Act;
- The contents of the documents that fall within the scope of your request;
- The views of relevant third parties; and
- The *Human Rights Act 2004*.

#### **Charges**

Processing charges are not applicable to this request.

### **Disclosure Log**

Under section 28 of the FOI Act, ACTHD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. The scope of your access application, my decision and documents released to you will be published in the disclosure log not less than three days but not more than 10 days after the date of this decision. Your personal contact details will not be published.

<https://www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/freedom-information/disclosure-log>.

### **Ombudsman review**

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the FOI Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in ACT Health's disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman  
GPO Box 442  
CANBERRA ACT 2601  
Via email: [ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au](mailto:ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au)  
Website: [ombudsman.act.gov.au](http://ombudsman.act.gov.au)

### **ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review**

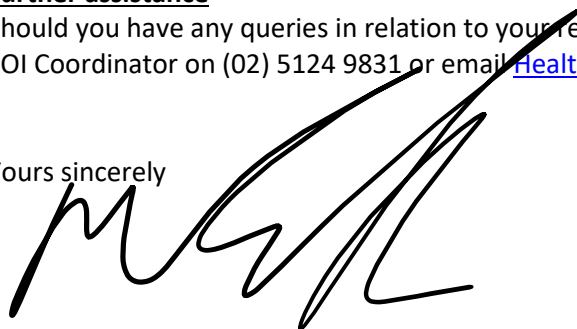
Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal  
Level 4, 1 Moore St  
GPO Box 370  
Canberra City ACT 2601  
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740  
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

### **Further assistance**

Should you have any queries in relation to your request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Coordinator on (02) 5124 9831 or email [HealthFOI@act.gov.au](mailto:HealthFOI@act.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



Michael Culhane  
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## Digital Solutions Division

Information and Data Management

Number of Emergency Department and Admitted  
Patient Care presentations for Heart attacks<sup>(a)</sup>

Data Source: ACT Health Data Repository



**ACT**  
Government

**ACT Health**

January 2019-  
December 2021

Year	ED presentations <sup>(b)</sup>	Hospitalisations <sup>(c)</sup>
2019	472	585
2020	592	678
2021	524	642

### Notes

a) Figures include 'Acute myocardial infarction', 'Subsequent myocardial infarction' and 'Unstable Angina' (ICD-10-AM diagnosis codes I20.0, I21 and I22, respectively).

b) Emergency Department (ED) presentations refer to the number of ED episodes with an ICD-10-AM diagnosis code of I20.0, I21 or I22 as the primary diagnosis, in the calendar year, at ACT public hospitals (Canberra Hospital and Calvary Public Hospital Bruce).

c) Hospitalisations refer to the number of hospital separations with an ICD-10-AM diagnosis code of I20.0, I21 or I22 as the primary diagnosis, in the calendar year, at ACT Public hospitals (Canberra Hospital and Calvary Public Hospital Bruce).