

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 Canberra Health Services (CHS) on **Monday 29 August 2022**.

This application requested access to:

I request all correspondence and documents between CHS/ACT Health and the Minister's office since 2020 about paediatric cardiology services including presentations, the number of staff/specialists/senior specialists we have and retrieval team numbers and costs. I also request any ministerial briefings about paediatric cardiology services as well as any reviews that have been done'

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Chief Executive Officer of Canberra Health Services (CHS) under section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act. CHS was required to provide a decision on your access application by Tuesday 27 September 2022.

I have identified no information held that has been provided to the Minister's Office regarding Paediatric Cardiology services including presentations, the number of staff/specialists/senior specialists we have or retrieval team numbers and costs. In addition, no information has been provided to the Minister's office pertaining to Ministerial Briefing about Paediatric Cardiology services as well or reviews that have been done.

Decisions on access

CHS does not hold documents relevant to the scope of your application in accordance with section 35 (1)(b) of the Act.

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

- The FOI Act;
- The contents of the documents that hold information relevant to your request;

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable to this request.

Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the FOI Act, CHS maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. The scope of your access application and my decision 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 Your personal contact details will not be published.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 application 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

Website: 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

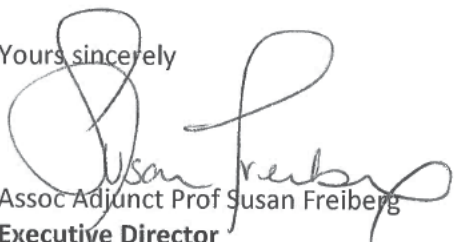
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740

<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.

Yours sincerely



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