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Subject: Official Information Act Request re: ICU beds

Thank you for your request for information under the Official Information Act received by Lakes District Health Board on 28 February 2022. Please see the following answer to your questions.

“Data on how many ICU beds NZ had as at 1.1.2020 and again ICU beds in NZ as at 18.1.2022. I would like this data to include bed numbers that can actually be used vs allocated beds that cannot be staffed.”

The Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at Lakes District Health Board has a six ICU bed physical capacity at Rotorua Hospital, and four of these are permanently staffed.

We rely on the ICU/CCU staff or nurses from other wards working extra shifts or agency nurses to increase the capacity to six beds when required.

The number of ICU beds in Lakes DHB was the same on 1 January 2020 and 18 January 2022.