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## **Learning from Serious Adverse Events**

Today's release of serious adverse events data by the Health Quality and Safety Commission ensures that patient safety and continued improvement are at the heart of all the DHB does, Waitemata DHB says.

Waitemata DHB's own data showed a similar number of adverse events from last year in spite of a focus on improved reporting.

Waitemata DHB Chief Medical Officer Dr Andrew Brant says that it is very important to learn from serious adverse events so that we can prevent them from recurring and to improve the quality and safety of care for all our patients.

Waitemata DHB is the largest and fastest-growing DHB in terms of population served, with over 615,000 people living in the Waitemata catchment, and has continued to see a relatively low number of adverse events.

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