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Via email: [fyi-request-11017-dc835b7d@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-11017-dc835b7d@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Dear Gemma

## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Thank you for your request dated 20 August 2019 under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) for information relating to Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) funding. Your request was:

*Are you able to please provide me with any letters/correspondence from any of the Labour MP's/staff regarding funding of PrEP. And/or are you able to provide me with letters/correspondence from any of the Labour MP's/staff regarding their rainbow policy and funding of drugs such as PrEP.*

We sent you emails on 21 August 2019 and on 4 September 2019 asking you to clarify your request. You responded to our 21 August email on 3 September 2019, however we didn't receive a response from you regarding our email of 4 September 2019.

We have interpreted your request as seeking any such information received by PHARMAC from October 2017, the start of the current Coalition Government, onwards. We have carefully searched our records for any information we might hold which falls within the scope of your request. We looked for correspondence from the current Labour MPs, including the Prime Minister and the Minister of Health. We have determined that we do not hold any such correspondence.

On this basis your request is refused under section 18(g) of the OIA, as the information is not held by PHARMAC, and we have no reason to believe it is held by another agency.

Please note you have the right, by way of complaint under section 28(3) of the OIA to an Ombudsman, to seek an investigation and review of our decision.

Please get in touch with us if you have any questions about this.

Yours sincerely



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