

29 March 2021

Tess Daley

By email: fyi-request-14526-04465137@requests.fyi.org.nz
Ref: H202102239

Dear Tess Daley

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 25 January 2021 for information related to the COVID Immunisation Solution (CIS) and the National Immunisation Solution (NIS) in response to your previous request (H202100369).

Specifically, you requested:

“...proof the Ministry followed the public procurement process rules, by demonstrating you went to market with a set of requirements, whether you consulted any groups of clinicians, a high level description and timeline of the evaluation process you undertook, and the number of responses you received from the private sector. If you were granted a waiver to go to market, please provide the reasoning. To narrow the search I am seeking all senior management decision making papers, ministerial papers and cabinet papers.”

Three documents have been identified within scope of your request and copies are enclosed. The table in Appendix 1 outlines my decision on the release of each document.

The Ministry as part of the development of the CIS has been engaging with clinicians and those who will be using it as part of the development. We will be assessing the requirements of the full NIS in the next few months before a final procurement decision is made.

I trust this information fulfils your request. Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Yours sincerely



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Appendix 1: List of documents for release

#	Date	Title	Decision on release
1	18 December 2020	COVID 19 Immunisation Register – Emergency Exemption	Released with some information withheld under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the Act, where its release would likely unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information.
2	9 October 2020	Health Report: National Immunisation Solution – approval of the business case and drawdown from contingency funding	Released with some information withheld under the following sections of the Act: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons • 9(2)(b)(ii) where its release would likely unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information.
3	N/A	Programme Technology Roadmap	Released in full.