

22 March 2021

A Mark

By email: fyi-request-14970-91b7a6e9@requests.fyi.org.nz
Ref: H202103251

Dear A Mark

Transfer of your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 21 March 2021 for:

"...copies of all briefings, advice, aides memoire, meeting notes or any other information regarding decisions made or to be made relating to the funding of Trikafta in New Zealand. I would also like to know if the company that produces Trikafta, Vertex, has approached Pharmac to begin the process of approving Trikafta for New Zealanders with cystic fibrosis, and, if not, whether the Minister of Health has considered approaching Vertex to ask them to do so. To assist in developing a response, my aim in making this request is to ascertain the Government's current position to Trikafta to understand if there is a timeline for the drug to become funded in New Zealand. Any further information available that is not currently captured by the wording of this request would be gratefully appreciated."

The Ministry of Health does not hold any information relating to your request; however, I have been advised that this information is more closely connected with the functions of PHARMAC Te Pātaka Whaioranga. For this reason, I have decided to transfer your request to PHARMAC under section 14 of the Act. You can expect a response from PHARMAC in due course.

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.

Yours sincerely



Nick Allan
Manager OIA Services
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Sun 21/03/2021 17:53

To:

OIA Requests

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Yours faithfully,

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