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By email: fyi-request-17275-9cb7d595@requests.fyi.org.nz
Ref: H202114754

Dear Maxwell

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 20 October 2021 for information relating to the Medicines Assessment Advisory Committee members.

You specifically requested:

Can the remaining information be released without compromising the identities of related Medicines Assessment Advisory Committee members?

*That information being, each member's:
- relevant professional credentials;*

The Medicines Assessment Advisory Committee (MAAC) comprises up to 12 members with any of the following:

- substantial clinical experience and national credibility in one or more of the following: clinical pharmacology, general practice, infectious diseases, oncology, paediatrics, and from fields such as dermatology, geriatrics, neurology, psychiatry, women's health and internal medicine (eg, cardiology)
- a tertiary qualification and extensive experience in biostatistics
- a tertiary qualification and extensive experience in pharmaceutical chemistry and the manufacture of pharmaceuticals
- experience in representing consumer interests.

start and end date (where applicable) of MAAC membership.

Date of appointment:
21/06/2010
21/06/2010
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21/06/2010
05/08/2015
1/07/2019
1/07/2019

1/07/2020
20/01/2021
20/01/2021
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Please supply for all current (up to the date of this request 20 Oct 2021)

This part of your request is refused under section 9(2)(g)(ii) of the Act for the protection of such Ministers, members of organisations, officers, and employees from improper pressure or harassment.

and all historic (as far as records allow) members of the Medicines Assessment Advisory Committee.

This part of your request is refused under section 18(f) of the Act as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

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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