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Dear Brian

## **RE Official information request CDHB 10786**

I refer to your email dated 21 December 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

 Given that it may be stored for two years was the Sabin oral polio vaccine used in Christchurch in 1964 sourced from Europe through USA, direct from USA or direct from Europe?

The Canterbury DHB has searched its Pathology and Laboratories records, including the immunisation handbook and we can find no reference to the sourcing of the Sabin oral polio vaccine used in Christchurch in 1964. We are therefore declining your request pursuant to section 18(g) of the Official Information Act i.e. we do not hold this information.

We suggest you might like to contact the Ministry of Health.

You may, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act, seek a review of our decision to withhold information by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a>; or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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