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Dear Cody

## **RE Official Information Act request CDHB 10798**

We are writing to acknowledge your email dated 13 January 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from Canterbury DHB. Specifically:

WeCare Health no longer offers Covid-19 vaccinations or tests (excluding paid fit to fly / travel tests).

- 1. Was this decision made or suggested by CDHB?
- 2. Further, why has the total number of GPs offering these services reduced dramatically over the past few months in the CDHB area?
- 3. The contents of any investigation report, or similar related documents, held by CDHB relating to WeCare Health Wigram Covid-19 vaccine administration or Covid-19 testing errors, including but not limited to the instance where they gave the incorrect Covid-19 vaccination dose.

We will consider your request against the provisions of the Official Information Act (see overleaf) and advise you of our decision regarding the release of information within 20 working days (being the statutory timeframe provided within the Act.)

Accordingly, we will notify you, no later than 14 February 2022, of our decision.

**Please note:** As per the Ombudsman's guidance Official Information Act requests/responses close down between 25 December 2021 and 16 January 2022. We are also taking into account the public holiday for Waitangi Day on 7 February 2022.

Your request is being handled by Lara Williams. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact either myself (details above) or Lara. (<u>Lara.williams2@cdhb.health.nz</u>; Phone (03) 364 4140). Please refer to the OIA number above when phoning or emailing.

Please refer to the OIA number above when phoning or emailing. If any additional factors come to light which are relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that these can be taken into account.

Yours sincerely

Ralph La Salle Team Leader

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## 15 Decisions on requests

(1) Subject to this Act, the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation to whom a request is made in accordance with section 12 or is transferred in accordance with section 14 of this Act or section 12 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any case not later than 20 working days after the day on which the request is received by that department or Minister of the Crown or organisation,—
(1)(a) decide whether the request is to be granted and, if it is to be granted, in what manner and for what charge (if any); and

(1)(b) give or post to the person who made the request notice of the decision on the request [If we are unable to make a decision on your request by the date noted above, we will notify you of an extension of that timeframe.]