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Reference: OIA-2021/22-1457

Dear Angela

Official Information Act request relating to evidence of the COVID-19 vaccine reducing serious outcomes and to the Māori Health Authority


Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 17 June 2022. You requested:

- “1. Please provide evidence that the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine Comirnaty reduces any serious outcomes and hospital admissions of COVID-19.*
- 2. Please include only official research from Pfizer or other research that the government has used in the justification of the use of the Comirnaty vaccine within New Zealand.*
- 3. Please can the Maori Health authority provide evidence they hold that the covid-19 vaccination protects ones whakapapa, what evidence do you hold that the vaccine is effective in preserving ones whakapapa as promoted in the media and via a relentless media campaign?*
- 4. Please can the Maori Health authority provide all emails, and documentation between the NZ government and all those involved in the setting up of the new Maori Health authority, being Iwi Chairs, Whanau Ora Ltd, Pou Matakana Ltd, Waipareira Trust Ltd and any other entity who has a financial interest in the Maori health authority?*
- 5. Please can you provide evidence of all discussions, emails documents and any other information held that shows the number of non-corporate and proclaimed, constituted Hapu were consulted about the new Maori Health authority?*
- 6. Please can the Maori Health authority provide the consent provided by heads of Hapu and National Wakaminenga agreeing to the creation of the Maori Health authority?*
- 7. Please can Maori health authority please supply the individual contracts of living tangatawhenua with wet ink signatures that provides consent to the accessing of personal, private data of Rangatira of Hapu, and their whanau by a statutory entity being the Maori Health authority?*
- 8. Please can Maori Health authority supply the emails, contract and discussion held between John Tamihere and his business partners who specialise in stents and heart issues in the setting up of the Maori Health authority, all emails, discussions and contracts please?”.*

I believe that parts 1-3 of your request for information about the evidence of the COVID-19 vaccine reducing serious outcomes and about the Māori Health Authority are more closely connected to the functions of the Ministry of Health. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act to transfer this part of your request to the Ministry of Health. The other parts of the request will remain with the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

The Ministry of Health has the usual timeframes under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. Noonan".

Margaret Noonan
Team Leader Ministerial and Business Services