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Tēnā koe Angela

### **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), transferred from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) on 4 July 2022.

You requested:

*“Please provide evidence that the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine Comirnaty reduces any serious outcomes and hospital admissions of COVID-19.*

*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.*

*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?*

*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?*

*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?*

*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?*

*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?*

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*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?"*

On 6 July 2022, the Ministry contacted you in accordance with section 18B of the Act. You were advised that your request, as it was currently worded, was for a very large volume of information and may be refused under section 18(f) of the Act unless a refinement to the scope is made.

Unfortunately, as the Ministry has not received a response from you to date, your request is refused under section 18(f) of the Act as it would require a substantial amount of collation to provide the information you have requested.

However, you may be interested to know that the Ministry regularly updates the Science News page for up-to-date information regarding COVID-19 and the vaccine: [www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-resources-and-tools/covid-19-science-news](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-resources-and-tools/covid-19-science-news).

Additionally, information regarding the safety and effectiveness of the vaccine can be found on the Ministry of Health website at the following links:

- The Coronavirus Immunisation handbook: [www.health.govt.nz/our-work/immunisation-handbook-2020/5-coronavirus-disease-covid-19](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/immunisation-handbook-2020/5-coronavirus-disease-covid-19). This also provides references to scientific studies conducted regarding COVID-19 and the vaccine
- The vaccine datasheet: [www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/Datasheet/c/comirnatyinj.pdf](http://www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/Datasheet/c/comirnatyinj.pdf)
- Comirnaty vaccine, including its clinical efficacy and safety: [www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/PUArticles/June2021/Spotlight-on-Comirnaty-vaccine.html](http://www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/PUArticles/June2021/Spotlight-on-Comirnaty-vaccine.html)

The Ministry remains willing to engage with you on a revised scope for 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](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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