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Tēnā koe Chris

### **Transfer and response to your request for official information**

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 14 October 2022. Please find a response to each part of your request below:

- 1. You state there were no Covid memorandums prior to 7 May 2021. So please provide me the scope of works with the CV-ISMB, how much they were paid by that date, deliverables associated with CV-ISMB - what did they do if they didn't produce one memo in the first five months of them being paid?*
- 2. Medsafes own data confirms that TTS has occurred from the Pfizer vaccine - how can you say this isn't a side effect from the Pfizer vaccine when there are over 60 side effects registered on your own data that this is a side effect?*
- 5. Please provide data as requested on the anaphalaxis - how many cases of anaphalaxis were not recorded when measuring against the Brighton Collaboration*
- 6. Were people prior to vaccination warned of all the safety signals?*
- 7. A safety communication was issued - are these safety communications relayed to people prior to vaccination? If not, why not?*
- 10. I have read the minutes you don't need to link me through to stuff you have sent - what is the average "under reporting" rate of vaccine injuries for this medication and previous medications*
- 11. This means nothing - you are studying people after you have injured them - a 400% increase in Myocarditis and likely numerous delayed deaths through cardiac arhythmia in children is going to occur going forward in New Zealand and is already happening overseas*
- 12. Whilst the information is publically available are vaccinators warning of Myocarditis so that New Zealanders get informed consent?*
- 13. Please provide appendix one*
- 14. I have read the safety signals - however are people warned of the safety signals per informed consent process*

These parts of your request ask for information which is more closely connected with the functions of Te Whatu Ora (Health New Zealand). For this reason, the Manatū Hauora has decided to transfer these parts of your request to Te Whatu Ora under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act. You can expect a response from Te Whatu Ora in due course.

*3. Thousands of dollars in compensation and treatment has been paid out by ACC for vaccine side effects. Please provide all of the side effects that ACC has paid out on - are there more side effects that ACC have been paid out on listed as possible side effects*  
*4. The statement was issued yet since that date TTS has been registered with CARM - if our own data registers TTS as a side effect why won't you acknowledge this - has ACC paid out any compensation for TTS?*

These parts of your request ask for information which is more closely connected with the functions of the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC). For this reason, the Manatū Hauora has decided to transfer these parts of your request to ACC under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act. You can expect a response from ACC in due course.

Turning now to the remaining parts of your request, please find a response from Manatū Hauora below.

*8. This memo mentions the benefits clearly outweigh the risks - what documents, evidence were relied on that the benefits of a vaccine that does not stop you getting or transmitting a virus with a 99% recovery rate outweigh the risks for a heart condition that can ruin ones life (and has done including death in NZ)*

We do not accept the premise of this part of your request. The Pfizer vaccine is an effective means of reducing the transmission of COVID-19. You can find more information about the efficacy of the vaccine here, on page 9:

[www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/Datasheet/c/comirnatyinj.pdf](http://www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/Datasheet/c/comirnatyinj.pdf)

Further information about transmission can be found here:

[www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/pages/sars-cov-2-variant-of-concern-update-27sep22.pdf](http://www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/pages/sars-cov-2-variant-of-concern-update-27sep22.pdf)

*9. Please provide all the benefit / risk assessments based on the ever evolving data. Please provide all of the documents used to assess efficacy, if it is better than a placebo (comparison against placebo groups), alternative treatments considered, number of people with condition, history of disease*  
*The link you sent me through outlines the criteria when considering the benefits risks - please provide all of the reports purporting this information and provide to me*

Medsafe frequently monitors the safety of COVID-19 vaccinations and Adverse Events Following Immunisation (AEFIs). You can find these vaccine reports here:

[www.medsafe.govt.nz/COVID-19/vaccine-report-overview.asp](http://www.medsafe.govt.nz/COVID-19/vaccine-report-overview.asp)

Manatū Hauora also regularly updates the Sciences News page with up-to-date information regarding COVID-19 and vaccines:

[www.health.govt.nz/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-resources-and-tools/covid-19-science-news](http://www.health.govt.nz/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-resources-and-tools/covid-19-science-news)

As stated earlier in this response, you can find information about the efficacy of the vaccine here:

- [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)
- [www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/Datasheet/c/comirnatyinj.pdf](http://www.medsafe.govt.nz/profs/Datasheet/c/comirnatyinj.pdf)

*The datasheet is not available - please provide links that work*

We are sorry to hear that the links we provided did not work. If this happens again in future, removing the full stop at the end of the link can resolve this issue. Below is the link to the main page for Medsafe datasheets:

[www.medsafe.govt.nz/Medicines/infoSearch.asp](http://www.medsafe.govt.nz/Medicines/infoSearch.asp)

*Please provide all of the information / studies that Ministry of Health relied on to say the vaccine would stop transmission which was part of the original messaging*

Information regarding the vaccine and transmission can be found here:

[www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/pages/sars-cov-2-variant-of-concern-update-27sep22.pdf](http://www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/pages/sars-cov-2-variant-of-concern-update-27sep22.pdf)

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](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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