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By email: fyi-request-22146-570fd8f9@requests.fyi.org.nz
Ref: H2023022149

Tēnā koe Alan

Transfer of 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 19 March 2023. You requested:

“Can you please advise whether these codes will differentiate between people that are experiencing Long Covid and HAVE been vaccinated, vs. those that HAVE NOT been vaccinated?”

If this data is not being collected in a way that enables this analysis can you please provide meeting notes, memo's emails, documents, presentations etc, that mention the development or implementation of the codes, AND, vaccination status.”

Reporting of this nature is now the responsibility of Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand and as the information you have requested is more closely connected to the functions of Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand. For this reason, I have transferred 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.

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 or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, na



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COPY OF OIA REQUEST

From: Alan Campbell <fyi-request-22146-570fd8f9@requests.fyi.org.nz>
Sent: Sunday, 19 March 2023 08:07
To: OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>
Subject: Official Information request - Long Covid - Coding

Dear Ministry of Health,

I understand that you have introduced codes to identify Long Covid and that you expect data to be available later in 2023, after experiencing a delay in implementing them.

Can you please advise whether these codes will differentiate between people that are experiencing Long Covid and HAVE been vaccinated, vs. those that HAVE NOT been vaccinated?

This seems to be an obvious requirement to understand any potential benefit of vaccinations.

If this data is not being collected in a way that enables this analysis can you please provide meeting notes, memo's emails, documents, presentations etc, that mention the development or implementation of the codes, AND, vaccination status.

Yours faithfully,

Alan Campbell