



15 May 2023

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Ref: OIA-2022/23-0814

Dear ASE

## Official Information Act request relating to COVID-19 vaccines, mortality, and morbidity

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 17 April 2023. You requested:

*"I am seeking all information held by NAB/DPMC relating to correlation and/or causality between COVID-19 "vaccines" and mortality and/or morbidity.*

*For clarification, the above request includes:*

- all information held by NAB/DPMC relating to any correlations between COVID-19 "vaccines" and mortality.*
- all information held by NAB/DPMC relating to any correlations between COVID-19 "vaccines" and morbidity.*
- all information held by NAB/DPMC relating to causality between COVID-19 "vaccines" and mortality.*
- all information held by NAB/DPMC relating to causality between COVID-19 "vaccines" and morbidity.*
- all information relating to the status, release, management, and/or dissemination of such information, as requested herein.*
- all information relating to any such information, as requested herein, that may have been passed from, to, or through NAB/DPMC channels."*

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, including the National Assessments Bureau (NAB) has conducted searches of its electronic document management systems and has not identified any information relevant to your request.

One paper titled 'COVID-19 Vaccine and Māori' produced for the Ministry of Health, February 2021, has been identified as having a minor reference within scope of your request which I have provided via an extract. For a full copy of the paper, you may wish to contact the Ministry of Health.

### Extract:

#### 10.1 Specific information that was felt not to be true

There was a wide range of comment on what had been heard that respondents felt was not true. Particular groups of comments were:

#### People will/have died from the vaccine

5% said they had heard reports of deaths and/or comment that people would die from taking the vaccine:

*“Causes death.”*

*“It will kill you.”*

*“Reports of mass deaths overseas after vaccination.”*

With the exception of the above paper, the remainder of your request to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet is refused under section 18(e) of the Act, as no information exists.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Clare Ward".

Clare Ward  
**Executive Director**  
**Strategy, Governance and Engagement**