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Tēnā koe

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 21 June 2023 for information regarding COVID-19 research projects. You requested:

“Could I please be provided for the 10 below projects funded under the COVID-19 and National Immunisation Programme research projects the progress reports submitted at three-, six- and nine-month intervals - as available. And the final report as available for any of them (in lieu of a final report - dates expected it is to be submitted for each project).

The research projects are:

- *Child vaccine hesitancy: Predictors of parents' COVID-19 vaccine uptake for their children, impact on vaccine uptake of the national immunisation schedule, and translational findings for equitable immunisation outcomes among children in Aotearoa New Zealand*
- *COVID-19 Vaccine Evaluation (COVE) in Aotearoa New Zealand*
- *Does the increased attention to COVID-19 vaccine-related side effects change reporting behaviour for a comparable adult vaccine?*
- *Examining vaccine effectiveness of two and three doses of Comirnaty mRNA vaccine during the 2022 Omicron wave in Aotearoa*
- *Impact of COVID-19 on childhood vaccine uptake and ways forward for equitable immunisation services*
- *Impact of the COVID-19 Delta-Omicron outbreak on the health and psychosocial wellbeing of New Zealanders living in aged residential care*
- *Impact of COVID-19 on Pacific peoples' vaccination beliefs and behaviours, including Pacific COVID-19 + Well Child immunisation rates*
- *The Burden of Long Covid in Aotearoa New Zealand: Establishing a Registry*
- *The role of digital contact tracing to support improved pandemic responses*
- *The role of vaccine mandates in New Zealand's COVID-19 response”*

16 Documents have been identified within the scope of your request. The documents are outlined in Appendix 1 of this letter and copies enclosed. Where information is withheld under section 9 of the Act, I have considered the countervailing public interest in releasing the information and consider it does not outweigh the need to withhold at this time

I trust this information fulfils your request. If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

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.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā



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Appendix 1: List of documents for release

#	Date	Document details	Decision on release
1		2022-COVID-19-and-national-immunisation-programme-research-projects-progress report June 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons.
2	1 June 2023	2022 COVID-19 and National Immunisation Programme Research Projects - Covid vaccine mandates update June 2023	
3		2022 COVID-19 and National Immunisation Programme Research Projects - Progress Declaration Reporting Guidelines	
4		2022-covid-19-and-national-immunisation-programme-research-projects-progress-declaration-reporting-guidelines June 2023 R Braund	
5	2 June 2023	GCheung Second Progress Report updated 2June2023	
6	1 June 2023	GCheung Third Progress Report 2June2023 version 2 (1)	
7		Interim Progress Report_imms_9Jun final (2)	
8		Interim Report 1 December PROP-060 (1)	
9		Interim Report-June 2023-PROP-060	
10	31 May 2023	Progress Report 310523 (1)	
11	1 June 2023	VUW - PROP-051 - progress report period June 2023	
12		20230522_COVID-19 NIP 3rd 3month report (April-June2023)	
13		20230403Final_COVID-19 NIP 2nd 3month report (Jan-Mar2023)	
14		2022 COVID-19 and National Immunisation Programme Research Projects - Covid vaccine mandates update 1 - Mar 2023	
15		2022-COVID-19-and-national-immunisation-programme-research-projects-progress report March 2023	
16		2022-COVID-19-and-national-immunisation-programme-research-projects-progress report December 2022	