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Tēnā koe Mark

### **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 4 October 2023. You requested:

*“Please provide statistics of the incidence of serious illness and death in NZ directly caused by COVID-19 infection and reports of serious illness and death reported to CARM as being associated with COVID-19 vaccination. Please stratify by date range (from first COVID-19 vaccine approval to now), age and sex.  
Please provide equivalent information as requested above for influenza and the influenza vaccine. Please include influenza and influenza vaccine information from 2014.”*

Manatū Hauora does not hold any information relating to your request; however, I have been advised that this information is held by Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand. For this reason, I have decided to transfer your request to their agency under section 14(b)(i) 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](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, na



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## **COPY OF OIA REQUEST**

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**Subject:** Official Information request - Influenza and COVID-19 infection and vaccination severe illness and death information

Dear Ministry of Health,

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Yours faithfully,

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