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By email: fyi-request-26376-a4b5f6c7@requests.fyi.org.nz
Ref: H2024039263

Tēnā koe Erika

Transfer of your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health - Manatū Hauora (the Ministry) on 9 April 2024. You requested:

- “1. all the minutes of the subsequent meetings with the digital security team on the above decision to review, and the minutes when any security setting changes were proposed.*
- 2. Any written reviews or current-state documentation of the security settings "before" and "after" states for any changes from Sept-Dec 2021.*
- 3. The records of digital security changes that were made, ie the change control documents or (ICT) tickets to implement these digital security changes. I am requesting the high-level information on what was implemented, the rollback plan for the change or the work ticket etc. Please, no need for network details such as IP addresses, VLANs etc, just any fully qualified domain names which had security changes implemented on them.*
- 4 During this review, were digital security changes implemented for both student and staff VLANS? Or just staff VLANs in the Education and Tertiary sector?*
- 5. Please include any related memos, texts, emails and correspondence etc around the digital security settings review which were to address the reported difficulties with anti-vaccine sentiment in this environment, as reported in the steering group minutes dated 7 Sept 2021. I assume this review would have been ongoing for a number of weeks or months.”*

The Ministry does not hold any information relating to this part of your request; however, I have been advised that this information is more closely connected to the functions of Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand. For this reason, I have decided to transfer 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.

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.

We apologise for the delay in transferring your request. Consultations had to be undertaken to identify the best course of action for 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 or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, na

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jan Torres', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jan Torres

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COPY OF OIA REQUEST

From: Erika Whittome <fyi-request-26376-a4b5f6c7@requests.fyi.org.nz>;
Received: Tue Apr 09 2024 14:34:41 GMT+1200 (New Zealand Standard Time)
To: OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>; OIA <oiagr@health.govt.nz>;
Subject: Official Information request - Digital security settings to address anti-vaccine sentiment in Tertiary and Education

Dear Ministry of Health,

I am requesting information on your digital security team based on the information in the minutes of the "Covid-19 Vaccine Immunisation Program Steering Group: dated 7 Sept 2021 (from

[https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffyi.org.nz%2Frequest%2F15656%2Fresponse%2F74170%2Fattach%2F5%2FH202116597%2520Document%25202%2520CVIP%2520Steering%2520Group%2520Minutes.pdf&data=05%7C02%7Coiagr%40health.govt.nz%7C619c1bb463dd4900fa2408dc583d99e1%7C23cec7246d204bd19fe9dc4447edd1fa%7C0%7C0%7C638482268812396296%7CUnknown%7CTWFPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAilCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=KZf2%2BW9Yz7sUwLbZmc2JXwSVhwFu%2B8Jq6rMcaEXmqdQ%3D&reserved=0\).](https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffyi.org.nz%2Frequest%2F15656%2Fresponse%2F74170%2Fattach%2F5%2FH202116597%2520Document%25202%2520CVIP%2520Steering%2520Group%2520Minutes.pdf&data=05%7C02%7Coiagr%40health.govt.nz%7C619c1bb463dd4900fa2408dc583d99e1%7C23cec7246d204bd19fe9dc4447edd1fa%7C0%7C0%7C638482268812396296%7CUnknown%7CTWFPbGZsb3d8eyJWljoimc4wLjAwMDAilCJQljoiv2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=KZf2%2BW9Yz7sUwLbZmc2JXwSVhwFu%2B8Jq6rMcaEXmqdQ%3D&reserved=0).)

The minutes dated 7 Sept 2021 say:

Update on school-based vaccinations (Rachel Mackay)

As of today, we have communicated with the Ministry of Education and Tertiary Institutions that employees are now eligible for priority to be vaccinated.
...there are some difficulties with anti-vaccine sentiment in this environment. The Ministry of Health is meeting with the digital security team to review the security settings.

Would you please share:

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5. Please include any related memos, texts, emails and correspondence etc around the digital security settings review which were to address the reported difficulties with anti-vaccine sentiment in this environment, as reported in the steering group minutes dated 7 Sept 2021. I assume this review would have been ongoing for a number of weeks or months.

Yours faithfully,

Erika Whittome