

James Fuller

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Ref: H202002584

Dear Mr Fuller

Transfer of request for information to Ministry of Justice

Thank you for your request to The Ministry of Health (the Ministry) received on 26 April 2020 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for:

"I am requesting information in the number of deaths due to Pneumonia in the years 2018 and 2019. Monthly statistics are preferred, if they are available."

On 8 May 2020 you agreed to refine your request to:

"The number of coronial cases where a person has died of pneumonia to cover the period 1 January 2018 – 30 April 2020. Also include coronial cases where the patient was hospitalised with pneumonia."

As discussed in the refinement email you received on 7 May 2020, the Ministry does not hold the information you have requested. However, I have been advised that the information you have requested is more aligned with the functions of the Ministry of Justice.

As a result, I have decided to transfer your request to the Ministry of Justice under section 14 of the Act. You can expect a response from the Ministry of Justice in due course.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to transfer your request for information.

Yours sincerely



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