

29 March 2021

Cameron Leakey

By email: fyi-request-14867-eb00bac2@requests.fyi.org.nz
Ref: H202102541

Dear Cameron Leakey

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 7 March 2021 for:

“...any documents or correspondence regarding guidelines for sexual activity at any of the different alert levels during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.”

The Ministry has not produced any information within scope of your request. Your request is therefore refused under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, as the information is not held by the Ministry.

However, the Ministry is aware that several organisations, including the New Zealand AIDS Foundation (www.nzaf.org.nz) and the Aotearoa New Zealand Sex Workers' Collective (www.nzpc.org.nz) have produced specific COVID-related guidance. You may want to approach them directly for further information.

I trust this information fulfils 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.

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

Yours sincerely



Deborah Woodley
**Deputy Director-General
Population Health and Prevention**