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Paul Jones

By email: [fyi-request-15329-91bf2136@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-15329-91bf2136@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Ref: H202105235

Dear Paul Jones

### **Response to your request for official information**

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) 3 May 2021 for:

*"Would you please provide documentation the Ministry of Health or its related organisations have on the topic of "Self Spreading Vaccines"?"*

*As vaccination in New Zealand requires completion of "consent" forms. Please outline if this self spreading vaccination technology is legal to use in New Zealand.*

*Furthermore what assurances have you received from Pfizer that their mRNA COVID-19 vaccination does not contain "self spreading" technology?*

*What assurances have you received from Pfizer that their mRNA COVID-19 vaccine does not shed from vaccinated persons, whether that is the mRNA or spike proteins produced?"*

The Ministry of Health (the Ministry) does not hold any information within the scope of your request. As such your request for this information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act.

Information regarding vaccines is publicly available at:

- [www.health.govt.nz/our-work/immunisation-handbook-2020/5-coronavirus-disease-covid-19](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/immunisation-handbook-2020/5-coronavirus-disease-covid-19).
- [www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-types-vaccines/covid-19-pfizer-vaccine#how](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-types-vaccines/covid-19-pfizer-vaccine#how).
- [www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-getting-vaccine](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-getting-vaccine).

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.

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](http://www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Nick Allan', written in a cursive style.

Nick Allan  
**Manager OIA Services**  
**Office of the Director-General**