

Tēnā koe Nicola,

## Official information request HNZ HNZ00006454

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request of 08 November 2022 for information relating to documentation for vaccines in school for 2023 Specifically:

*"Please confirm or provide documentation for all approved vaccination programs planned within any education setting (for example preschools, primary schools, intermediate schools, high schools) for the 2023 calendar year covering children of all ages.* 

Please confirm or provide documentation for all vaccination programs purposed within any education setting (for example preschools, primary schools, intermediate schools, high schools) for the 2023 calendar year covering children of all ages."

The only approved vaccination programmes which will continue to operate in an education setting for the 2023 calendar year is the delivery of the tetanus, diptheria & pertussis (Tdap also known as Boostrix) vaccine and the human papillomavirus vaccines (HPV) vaccine to students in Year 7 and Year 8 in participating schools. The Tdap vaccine protects against diphtheria, tetanus & pertussis and the HPV vaccine protects against types of HPV that can cause cancer. Districts are responsible for the delivery model for these vaccines, which may include delivery through school-based programmes, primary care, or other local health service providers.

Documentation on the SBIP is available online here:

- The Professional Standards of school-based immunisation service delivery
  <u>www.health.govt.nz/publication/professional-standards-school-based-immunisation-service-delivery</u>
- Consumer collateral (consent forms and brochures) can be found on health ed website.
  - o <u>www.healthed.govt.nz/resource/after-your-school-immunisation</u>
  - www.healthed.govt.nz/resource/immunise-against-hpv-human-papillomavirus-%E2%80%93-english-version
  - o www.healthed.govt.nz/resource/year-7-immunisation-tetanus-diphtheria-andwhooping-cough-pertussis-boostrix%E2%84%A2-vaccine
  - o <u>www.healthed.govt.nz/resource/hpv-vaccine-human-papillomavirus-vaccine-parent-consent-form</u>

In regard to your second part of the request, Te Whatu Ora has interpreted this as referring to proposed programmes, to which there are none under consideration by Te Whatu Ora. Therefore, that part of your request is declined under section 18 (e) of the Act, on the basis that the information requested does not exist.

If you have any questions regarding our response to your OIA request, you can contact us at <u>hnzOIA@health.govt.nz</u>.

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Te Whatu Ora may proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available on our website.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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