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By email: <u>fyi-request-23069-ee79b560@requests.fyi.org.nz</u> Ref: H2023026883

Tēnā koe Liz

Transfer of your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 26 June 2023. You requested:

"• As of 9/6/23, the earliest confirmed case of Covid 19 in New Zealand.

• As of 9/6/23, the best known estimate of when Covid 19 entered New Zealand.

• The number of people who died while in MIQ facilities attributed to Covid 19.

• The number of people who died within two weeks of arriving into or leaving MIQ attributed to Covid 19 (please exclude those from the previous bullet point, if possible)."

Manatū Hauora does not hold any information relating to 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 their agency under section 14 of the Act. You can expect a response from Te Whatu Ora in due course.

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: <u>info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by calling 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, na

Manager, OIA Services Government and Executive Services | Te Pou Whakatere Kāwanatanga

COPY OF OIA REQUEST

From: Liz Blue <fyi-request-23069-ee79b560@requests.fyi.org.nz>
Sent: Friday, 9 June 2023 19:43
To: OIA Requests <oiagr@health.govt.nz>
Subject: Official Information request - Historic Covid data

Dear Ministry of Health,

Under the Official Information Act I request the following:

• As of 9/6/23, the earliest confirmed case of Covid 19 in New Zealand.

• As of 9/6/23, the best known estimate of when Covid 19 entered New Zealand.

• The number of people who died while in MIQ facilities attributed to Covid 19.

• The number of people who died within two weeks of arriving into or leaving MIQ attributed to

Covid 19 (please exclude those from the previous bullet point, if possible).

Yours faithfully,

Liz Blue