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Tēnā koe M Bell,

Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00036732

Thank you for your email on 24 January 2024, asking Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Please note that I did not ask for a list of the people that may have provided supporting evidence, nor did I ask for a comparison of excess deaths with other countries. I have asked for the actual supporting evidence that backed the definitive statements that were made by Margie Apa, such as, "Basically that he (the whistleblower) had information that suggested there were excess mortalities due to the Covid vaccine that were not reported, and purported to have made connections to data that proved that, which is not true." Please provide this information

Response

To date, four deaths have occurred in New Zealand where a link to COVID-19 vaccination could not be excluded. This is in the context of 3,361 people whose deaths have to date been directly attributed to COVID-19 in New Zealand, with more than 12.6 million vaccines administered to eligible New Zealanders as of 2 October 2023. This information is publicly available in the below two links:

- www.health.govt.nz/news-media/news-items/fourth-death-possibly-linked-covid-19-vaccine
- www.tewhatuora.govt.nz/our-health-system/data-and-statistics/covid-vaccine-data/#total-vaccinations

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at hnzOIA@health.govt.nz.

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Health NZ 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.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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