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Tēnā koe Chris

Your request for official information, reference: HN200054122

Thank you for your email on 25 June 2024, asking Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“Are you able to provide the total annual cases since 1970 of the following illnesses

Tetanus
Diphtheria
Whooping Cough
Rotavirus
Polio
Hepatitis B
Haemophilus / influenza type b (hib)
Pneumococcal
Meningococcal B
Measles
Mumps
Rubella
Chicken Pox”

Response

Part of your request asks for information which is more closely aligned with the functions of the Institute of Environmental Science and Research Limited (ESR). For this reason, Health NZ partially transferred your request to ESR under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act on 05 July 2024. You can expect a response from ESR in due course.

Health NZ does not receive national level data about diagnoses made by primary care providers, for example General Practitioners (GPs). As illnesses such as chicken pox and rotavirus may be diagnosed in a primary care setting, we therefore do not hold data on all such cases.

For this reason, we must refuse the remainder of your request under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information you have requested is not held by us and we have no grounds to believe that the information is held by another entity subject to the Act.

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at hnzOIA@tewhatuora.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.

Nāku iti noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Danielle Coe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Danielle" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Coe".

Danielle Coe

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