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Tēnā koe Catherine Jamieson

**Request for information: COVID-19 vaccines**

Thank you for your request dated 28 January 2025 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) for information relating to COVID-19 vaccines. You requested:

*is there still an obligation at this time, under Advance Purchase Agreements that were transferred to Pharmac by the Ministry of Health on 1 July 2023, to purchase defined quantities of Covid vaccines?*

There is no obligation for Pharmac to purchase defined quantities of COVID-19 vaccines. The volume of COVID-19 vaccines purchased is based on the estimated need. You can find more information about the COVID-19 vaccine contracts at:

<https://www.health.govt.nz/system/files/2023-09/summary-statement-of-new-zealand-government-contracts-with-the-covid-19-suppliers.pdf>

We trust that this information answers your queries. Please note, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman about our response to your OIA, under section 28(3) of the OIA. Details of [how to make a complaint](#) are on the Ombudsman's website.

To make information more freely available, we publish selected OIA responses (excluding personal details) on our website. Please get in touch with us if you have any questions about this.

Nāku noa, nā



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