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By email: s 9(2)(a)
Ref: H202208111

Dear s 9(2)(a)

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 17 June 2022 for information about pharmacies in New Zealand. Please find a response to each part of your request below.

1) The total number of pharmacies licensed in New Zealand.

As at 30 June 2022, there are 1,119 licenced pharmacies (premises holding an active licence to operate pharmacy) in New Zealand.

2) The names and addresses of the pharmacies

This information is available at: www.medsafe.govt.nz/compliance/pharmacy-licence-register.asp.

3) The directors, shareholders, and/or owners of the pharmacies

The identity of the operator (legal entity) of a pharmacy is publicly available at the link above. Where the operator is a company, the directors and shareholders are recorded in the Companies Office Register, which is publicly available at: companies-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

I trust this information fulfils your request. 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: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Yours sincerely



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