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Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (Ministry of Health) on 6 July 2022 for information regarding assisted dying with the End of Life Choice Act 2019. You requested:

“The names of retirement villages and their location where assisted dying has been performed in accordance with the End of Life Choice Act 2019.”

Release of this information is refused under section 18(c)(i) of the Act, on the grounds that would be contrary to the provisions of a specified enactment, namely section 36(2)(c) of the End of Life Choice Act 2019 (EOLC Act), Manatū Hauora cannot provide certain details relating to assisted deaths, including the specific location. Further information on the EOLC Act can be found at: www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2019/0067/latest/whole.html#LMS225667.

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 at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā

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