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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 (the Ministry of Health) on 24 October 2022 for:

"Please provide a list (in Excel) of all aged care facilities within Whakatane District which have given the MOH notification under Section 31(5a) of the Health and Disability Services Act 2001 post 1 January 2021 including at a minimum:

Name of Facility

Address

Reason for Notification"

The information you have requested is attached to this letter as Document 1. The spreadsheet has been collated with the following information:

- Section 31 type (Health and safety risk to residents, registered nurse coverage and other).
- Description of incident.
- Information in relation to ARC providers in Whakatane district.
- Timeframe: Received by HealthCERT from 1 January 2021 to date of data extraction (16 November 2022).

The provider names and addresses are withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- Section 9(2)(a), to protect privacy of natural persons, and
- Section 9(2)(ba)(i), to protect information that is subject to an obligation of confidence and making it available would likely prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source.

Where information is withheld under section 9 of the Act, I have considered the countervailing public interest in releasing information and consider that it does not outweigh the need to withhold at this time.

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

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