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By email: s 9(2)(a)
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Tēnā koe 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 22 February 2022 for information relating to COVID-19 vaccinations. Each point of your request is answered in turn.

"Please provide me with all documentation in relation the amount a pharmacist receives in relation to a Covid-19 booster vaccination administered to a customer.

Pharmacies receive \$36.05, excluding GST, per dose of the COVID-19 vaccine administered. This payment is advised to be \$48.72 excluding GST if the vaccine is administered out of hours.

Please advise whether there is a difference in payment based on age, gender or ethnicity. To be clear the information requested does not to include identities of individual pharmacies or their customers.

There is no variation in payment based on who the individual receiving the vaccination is.

Please also provide all documentation as to who is making the payment (MOH or DHB or another provider) and if there is a difference in payment all information as to who as created this policy"

DHBs are paid to deliver COVID-19 vaccines on a price per dose (PPD) basis and this funding is passed from the Ministry to DHBs, and from DHBs on to service providers.

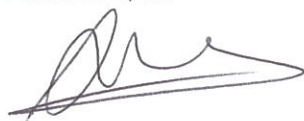
General practice clinics and pharmacies that provide primary care are paid to deliver the COVID-19 vaccine. General practice clinics and pharmacies are funded in one of two ways, either through an individual contract with their DHB or via price per dose (PPD) payments. PPD is the most common funding method.

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.

Nāku noa, nā



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