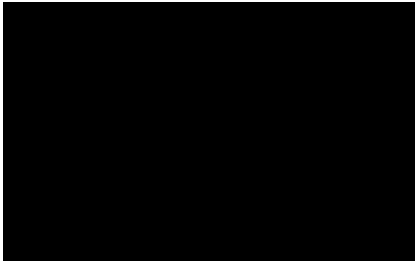


29 November 2021



Dear 

Official Information Act Request – DHB Provision of COVID Case Details

Thank you for your request, under the Official Information Act, received on 8 November 2021. Please find below responses to your questions.

QUESTION 1:

Who is given information on the daily Covid cases in each DHB region in advance of any Ministry of Health or government statement, or briefing?

RESPONSE 1:

Notification of any COVID-19 cases in Taranaki is to the local Medical Officer of Health and the Public Health services team as it is a notifiable disease under the Health Act 1956. This information is initially shared locally on a need to know basis in order to manage the public health response and to meet the social, welfare, health, well-being and cultural needs of the person with COVID-19 and their whānau .

QUESTION 2:

Which stakeholders and/or partner organisations are given information?

RESPONSE 2:

Summary of information is shared with the Taranaki DHB Incident Controller to initiate and manage any response with urgency. (See Response 3)

QUESTION 3:

The nature of the information; what information about the Covid cases are people given?

RESPONSE 3:

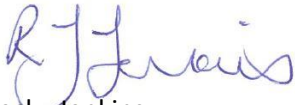
The type of summary information provided would be, for example, number of cases, locations, and risk assessment. This summary information may also be shared with stakeholders in the response including operational teams (Testing and Vaccination), Civil Defence Emergency Management, District

Council Mayors and Chief Executives and Iwi Chairs as well as the Taranaki DHB Chief Executive and Chair.

More detailed information may also be shared with individual agencies and providers in order to ensure the best possible health and wellbeing outcomes for the person with COVID-19 and their whānau.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response may be published on the Taranaki DHB website.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Becky Jenkins". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B'.

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