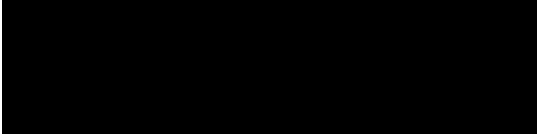


14 February 2022



Dear 

Re: OIA request – Pregnancy and perinatal data

Thank you for your Official Information Act request received, 17 January 2022, seeking information from Waitematā District Health Board (DHB) about pregnancy and perinatal data.

We contacted you on 18 January 2021 and sent you our response to a previous similar OIA request - advising that some of the information you were seeking was publicly available.

On 21 January, you replied that the material we had sent did not provide the information you had requested and you asked us to proceed with your request.

In response to your request, we are able to provide the following information:

- 1. Please supply the following information under the Official Information Act (OIA), from each year ending 2019, 2020 and 2021:**
 - the number of miscarriages recorded per year
 - the number of ectopic pregnancies per year
 - the number of molar pregnancies per year
 - the number of live births per year
 - the number of perinatal deaths and neonatal deaths per year.

Waitematā DHB pregnancy and perinatal data			
Calendar years	2019	2020	2021
Miscarriages	632	608	661
Ectopic pregnancies	164	229	208
Molar pregnancies	20	12	29
Live births	6894	6441	6919
Perinatal and neonatal deaths	63	65	74

- 2. In relation to pharmacovigilance, is the DHB recording/reporting any data relating to outcomes following vaccination for COVID-19 in pregnancy, as part of a post-marketing surveillance programme?**

Waitematā DHB follows the Ministry of Health advice on adverse events following immunisation (AEFI), which says:

We encourage you to report any AEFI experienced by people who have had the COVID-19 vaccine.

- *If it's within the initial observation period – report this in the COVID-19 Immunisation Register.*
- *If it's any other suspected AEFI – report this using the [COVID-19 reporting form](#) on the Centre for Adverse Reactions Monitoring (CARM) website. You don't have to be certain that the vaccine caused the event in order to report it.*

These reports are monitored weekly by Medsafe and reported on their website:

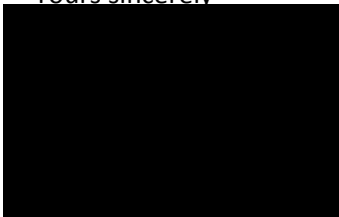
<https://www.medsafe.govt.nz/COVID-19/vaccine-report-overview.asp>

I trust that this information is helpful.

Waitematā DHB supports the open disclosure of information to assist community understanding of how we are delivering publicly funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released.

If you consider there are good reasons why this response should not be made publicly available, we will be happy to consider your views.

Yours sincerely



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