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## Official Information Act request relating to questions about Managed Isolation and Quarantine.

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 17 May 2021 to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) and the partial transfer, (*Question 3 only*), from DPMC to the Northern Regional Health Coordination Centre (NRHCC) dated 15 June 2021 requesting the following information:

"I request the following information relating to Managed Quarantine.

1. How many people have been through MQ since the start of the 'pandemic' up to date?

2. Of those people how many tested positive for COVID-19? (I will assume that the others all tested negative)

3. What treatment, if any, was given to these 'positive cases'?

4. How many of these positive cases required hospitalisation?

5. How many required ICU care?"

I am responding on behalf of the Northern Region Health Coordination Centre (NRHCC), the COVID-19 response and vaccination team set up by the Northland, Waitematā, Auckland, and Counties Manukau DHBs.

## 3. What treatment, if any, was given to these 'positive cases'?

Our medical doctor at Jet Park has confirmed the following:

The treatment provided to COVID-19 positive patients at Quarantine Facility Jet Park would be management of symptoms with paracetamol and ibuprofen to assist with fevers and body aches/headaches etc.

We estimate that around 50% of positive cases require this degree of treatment with a smaller number (approx. 5%) of positive cases requiring treatment for secondary bacterial infections.

The remaining 45% of positive cases are asymptomatic positive cases and need no formal treatment or symptom management.

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or Freephone 0800 802 602.

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

Ngaa mihi

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