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Re: Official Information Act request – Contact Tracing Documents 17 – 22 August

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 30 August 2021 requesting the following information:

I request all reports, including planning and update documents, from Auckland Regional Public Health's Systems, Intelligence & Planning team and from ARPHS emergency planning team which relate to contact tracing capacity, staff numbers and issues relating to contact tracing in the Auckland region. The period I am requesting this information is from August 17 to August 22.

I am responding from Auckland District Health Board (ADHB) as the DHB responsible for Auckland Regional Public Health Service (ARPHS).

ARPHS provides public health services to all three metro Auckland District Health Boards – Waitematā District Health Board, Counties Manukau Health and Auckland District Health Board, and the populations they serve. ARPHS's core role is to protect and promote public health.

Please find attached the following reports and planning documents in response to your request:

- Action Plan No. 1 (annexure A)
- ARPHS COVID-19 IMT Situation Report (SitRep) 1 5 (annexure B)
- ARPHS: Phase 2 Focused control: elimination strategy (annexure C).

The following information is withheld:

The Emerging Outbreak Summary reports and the Daily Live summary reports – these reports include personal information of the cases and their close contacts and are withheld under s9(2)(a) OIA – to protect the privacy of individuals, and other information collected under powers set out in the Health Act and other enactments, the release of which would prejudice the supply of similar information or otherwise damage the public interest – s9(2)(ba) OIA.

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz 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.

Yours faithfully

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