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Dear

Official information request for Adverse Events

I refer to your official information request dated 28 February 2020 for information relating to after hours care, loss of medical services consultation document on death, funerals, burials and Cremation Act 1964 and related legislation and advocacy around these topics.

The OIA enables people to request official information from Ministers and government agencies, including the Health Quality & Safety Commission (the Commission). However, the OIA only applies to information that is already held by the Commission. There is no obligation on the Commission to create information in order to respond to a request.

The information you are seeking in this case is not held by the Commission.

I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(g) of the OIA, because the Commission does not hold any official information.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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