

Our reference: ACTHDFOI21-22.27



Dear

DECISION ON YOUR ACCESS APPLICATION

I refer to your application under Section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (FOI Act), received by ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) on **Friday 15 October 2021**.

This application requested access to:

'I require evidence by way of a medical report of a COVID-19 antibody blood test (such as the rapid blood test developed by Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine that can confirm in minutes if a person has been vaccinated for SARS-COV-2) proving the administering of both first and second dose of Covid 19 vaccinations (of any of the current mRNA Vaccines available) to you.'

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General of ACT Health Directorate (ACTHD) under Section 18 of the FOI Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act. ACTHD was required to provide a decision on your access application by **Friday 12 November 2021**.

In reaching my access decision, I have taken the following into account:

- The FOI Act;
- The contents of the documents that fall within the scope of your request; and
- The Human Rights Act 2004.

Decisions on access

In accordance with Section 35 (1)(b) ACTHD does not hold information relevant to the scope of your application. In consultation with the Canberra Health Services (CHS), it was determined they also do not hold information relevant to the scope of your application.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable to this request.

Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the FOI Act, ACTHD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. The scope of your access application and my decision released to you will be published in the disclosure log not less than three days but not more than 10 days after the date of this decision. Your personal contact details will not be published.

https://www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/freedom-information/disclosure-log.

Ombudsman review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the FOI Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in ACT Health's disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Via email: <u>ACTFOI@ombudsman.gov.au</u> Website: <u>ombudsman.act.gov.au</u>

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal Level 4, 1 Moore St GPO Box 370 Canberra City ACT 2601 Telephone: (02) 6207 1740 http://www.acat.act.gov.au/

Further assistance

Should you have any queries in relation to your request, please do not hesitate to contact the FOI Coordinator on (02) 5124 9831 or email <u>HealthFOI@act.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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