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Attachments: Protected-Disclosure-Policy 2022.pdf; CV-ISMB-Final-Report-July-2023-For-Publication.pdf

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Kia ora Tobias

We understand that Mr Young is raising a protected disclosure defence to his criminal charge of accessing a computer system for a dishonest purpose under s 249 of the Crimes Act.

Attached is a copy of the relevant Health NZ Protected Disclosure policy that applied to Mr Young and which is on Health NZ's intranet. Mr Young did not raise his concerns about excessive deaths from the vaccine in accordance with Health NZ's Protected Disclosure policy or the Protected Disclosures (Protection of Whistleblowers) Act 2022.

Health NZ has never engaged in an analysis of the data unlawfully obtained and publicly released by Mr Young with a view to testing the accuracy of his misinformed claims. Health NZ's public statement dated 1 December 2023 was as follows:

"Statement attributable to Margie Apa, Chief Executive Te Whatu Ora

[...]

We are aware that a health agency staff member, with no clinical background or expert vaccine knowledge, is trying to spread misinformation.

What he is claiming is completely wrong and ill-informed and his comments demonstrate this.

Sadly, we have continued to see conspiracy theorists disseminating false and harmful misinformation.

We assure people there is no evidence whatsoever that vaccination is responsible for excess mortality in New Zealand and that they can continue to have confidence in vaccines.

Publicly available data shows that four deaths in New Zealand are possibly linked to adverse reactions following COVID-19 vaccination. This is in the context of 3,361 people whose deaths have to date been directly attributed to COVID-19 in New Zealand, with more than 12.6 million vaccines administered to eligible New Zealanders as of 2 October 2023.

By chance and separate to a prior COVID-19 vaccination event, some people will experience new illnesses or die from a pre-existing condition shortly after vaccination, especially if they are elderly.

The Centre for Adverse Reactions Monitoring (CARM) in conjunction with Medsafe and the Independent Safety Monitoring Board (ISMB) reviewed all reports of death to determine if the person experienced any events that may have been linked to vaccination and had the potential to cause death.

In addition to this, the COVID-19 Vaccine Independent Safety Monitoring Board (CV-ISMB) has reviewed data published in safety reports of compare natural death rates to observed death rates following vaccination.

In the monitoring period for the Pfizer/ BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine (19 February 2021 to 30 September 2022), the observed number of deaths was less than the expected number of natural deaths.”

<https://www.tewhatuora.govt.nz/corporate-information/news-and-updates/older-news-items/reminder-of-vaccine-safety-and-effectiveness-following-release-of-misinformation/>

Attached is a copy of the final report of the COVID-19 Vaccine Independent Safety Monitoring Board (CV-ISMB) dated July 2023.

Below is a link to an article that sets out the flaws in Steve Kirsch’s “pseudoscientific analysis” of the leaked data from Health NZ.

This article states:

“Even if the underlying data are accurate, they can’t be used to make causal claims about the vaccines, Jeffrey S. Morris, director of the division of biostatistics at the University of Pennsylvania’s Perelman School of Medicine, told us. On top of that, he said, Kirsch’s methods are flawed and based on invalid assumptions — and his interpretations run counter to existing evidence.”

The article aptly states that Kirsch’s claims about excess deaths don’t “pass a basic sniff test”.

<https://www.factcheck.org/2023/12/scicheck-flawed-analysis-of-new-zealand-data-doesnt-show-covid-19-vaccines-killed-millions/>

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