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1. Status Summary

Key		
Symbol	Colour	Meaning
●	Green	On track, no roadblocks, no significant delays anticipated
●	Amber	Slow progression, some delays, some roadblocks present
●	Red	Not progressing, on hold, significant delays

Focus Area	Sub-Focus Area	Last Week	→ This Week	Agency	Agency Comment on Status
Vaccine and Immunisation Programme	Purchasing and approvals	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No barriers anticipated.
	Population definition and sequencing	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No barriers anticipated.
	Distribution and inventory management	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme focus on developing processes and technology to scale to more sites. There are scalability challenges to building a more flexible network which are being addressed via co-design with DHBs. Some improvements have already been made, but area will remain at Amber until plan is finalised, with co-design wrapping up early May and any further technology and process solutions implemented following that. Priority for the current week includes the design of detailed end-to-end business processes across four key domains – order fulfilment, logistics and distribution, inventory management, and supply and demand management.
	Health workforce	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of Tuesday 18 May, 5,477 vaccinators have completed vaccine training nationally and 2,037 vaccinators have been active in the programme. There are scalability challenges with the health work force. Work continues to scale this workforce through implementation of improvements to the surge workforce database and developing and enabling a safe and appropriate additional workforce. These actions are on track for scale in June. A review is ongoing of the pilot training programme for Vaccinator Assistants last week, with a pilot online training course also taking place this week.
	Provider engagement	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pricing agreed. DHBs continue to deliver against national plan, with cumulative performance of 108% to the week ending 16 May. Work is ongoing with DHBs to ensure a steady rollout during period of constrained supply.
	Registration, appointment and immunisation	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work continues on national booking system to enable general population onboarding and demand management. Booking system is now live with two DHBs, with rollouts to further DHBs expected throughout May.
	Post event	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No barriers anticipated. Work is ongoing to identify a digital solution to enable active monitoring system for pharmacovigilance.
Elimination Strategy	Keep it out	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workforce remains under significant pressure, work ongoing with DHBs to support. Trans-Tasman and Cook Island QFT have gone live, and lessons are being learned about management of international incidents.
	Prepare for it	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No barriers anticipated. Process for embedding, tracking and reporting on reviews, recommendations, learning and continuous improvement activities being refined.
	Stamp it out	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No barriers anticipated. Technology programme aligning to enhance contact tracing and support the quarantine-free travel zone.
	Manage the impact	●	●	MoH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No barriers are anticipated to the broader programme. Risks related to the vaccine programme are outlined above.

Focus Area	Sub-Focus Area	Last Week	This Week	Agency	
MIQ Workforce	Vaccination of MIQ workers	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As at 19 May 2021, 87% of the MIQ workforce have received their second COVID-19 vaccine dose. A temporary 'employer verified' vaccination certificate issued on 1 May 2021 expired on 15 May 2021. There was no reported disruption to MIQs which indicates all workers are now presenting valid vaccination credentials upon site entry. Further information is included in the report.
	Staff testing	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compliance was 95% for the week of 10 May through to 16 May 2021. The efforts of the Workforce Testing Team to match NHIs means only 87 people on site last week have yet to be NHI matched. 59 of those workers were set up in the Border Working Testing Register (BWTR) in the last 7 days. Workforce advisors continue to proactively follow up on non-compliance with employers.
Operations	Ventilation systems	-	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MBIE-led onsite testing of ventilation systems is almost complete for all sites. The Ventilation Work Group (VWG) are reviewing the reports. Discussions have commenced with the MIFS to share the findings from the assessments and to seek proposals on what, if any, work will be completed to address the findings.
	Transition to cohorting	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cohorting has been fully implemented for scheduled flights, outside of certain exceptions (e.g. diplomats, unaccompanied minors, short-stay mariners). Work is ongoing to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define the settings for non-cohorted facilities, including an exemption process to determine who they will accommodate. Determine the most appropriate approach to low-risk Pacific Island flights with low passenger numbers. Plan for the upcoming 1-2 month pipeline of arrivals, which includes large groups such as the Olympians.
	Renewing contracts	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 23 of 31 draft extension and amendment agreements have been sent to the hotels for their review. The lower occupancy rates that are being experienced at the moment are putting pressure on current financial viability for some sites in respect of being able to retain all staff. We are working through any potential impacts and options with the hotels. The Ramada has officially been de-classified as at 14th May allowing them to bring in contractors etc. in preparation for returning to the public market.
	Reducing Transmission risk – Grand Mercure and Grand Millennium	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Grand Mercure and the Grand Millennium remain empty and with no further returnees assigned to these hotels until the ventilation reviews are finalised. The maintenance work has commenced at the Grand Mercure. It is expected to be finished towards the end of May 2021. The Grand Millennium onsite assessment is complete and the results have been shared with the hotel. MBIE is now awaiting a maintenance proposal from the hotel.
	RSE workers	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industry is yet to confirm the first date of entry into MIQ. MIQ is working with INZ to understand how the industry will meet timeframes and ensure MIQ has sufficient information in time to plan appropriately. Industry have stated that they cannot provide one single counterparty for MIQ contracting purposes. There are approximately 150 employers. This poses significant issues for MIQ from both a contracting and invoicing perspective and will create a significant administrative burden on MIQ.
	Fees collection / debt recovery	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As part of our invoice and debt management improvements, we are moving our data repository to a new platform and are also moving to a semi-automated approach. No invoices will be generated whilst the data is being moved as we are in between platforms, and backdated invoices will be issued once the platform changes have been completed.
Future Planning	COVID-19 Amendment Bill	●	●	MBIE MIQ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SWC and CAB agreed policy (12/17 May 2021). Drafting instructions issued to PCO 18 May 2021.

Focus	Sub-Focus Area	Last Week	→ This Week	Agency	
Quarantine Free Travel	Cook Islands quarantine-free travel (two way)	●	●	MFAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Two-way quarantine-free travel with the Cook Islands commenced from 11.59pm Sunday 16 May following your acceptance of the Director-General of Health's final health readiness assessment.The first QFT flight is on Tuesday 18 May and will carry tourists, journalists and the first vaccine doses for the Cook Islands, with the vaccine rollout to the general population due to start on 20 May NZT (19 May is wet run).New Zealand's Response Framework for a COVID-19 outbreak in the Cook Islands or New Zealand has been finalised. It covers both a potential humanitarian response and the managed return of travellers. Work continues on detailed operational planning for different scenarios. New Zealand and Cook Islands officials plan to carry out table-top exercises to ensure the coherence and consistency of our respective response frameworks.
	Niue quarantine-free travel (two-way)	●	●	MFAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Niue has confirmed their official position that two-way QFT should not commence until at least one month after vaccination roll-out is complete, which is scheduled to commence in June. There are challenges regarding the readiness of the Niuean health system, including a lack of public health specialists. s7(b)(ii)The timing of the switch from 'amber' to 'green' will be able to be better assessed following discussions between Niuean and New Zealand officials.
	Trans-Tasman quarantine-free travel	●	●	MFAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Officials are continuing to seek a solution for New Zealand travellers from parts of the Pacific who are now unable to transit through Australia due to a lack of "red" trans-Tasman flights. We have registered our position well in the Australian system, and understand this issue is currently being considered by Home Affairs.Now that trans-Tasman QFT has been operating for a month, with your agreement, we propose that future reporting on this initiative be by exception only.

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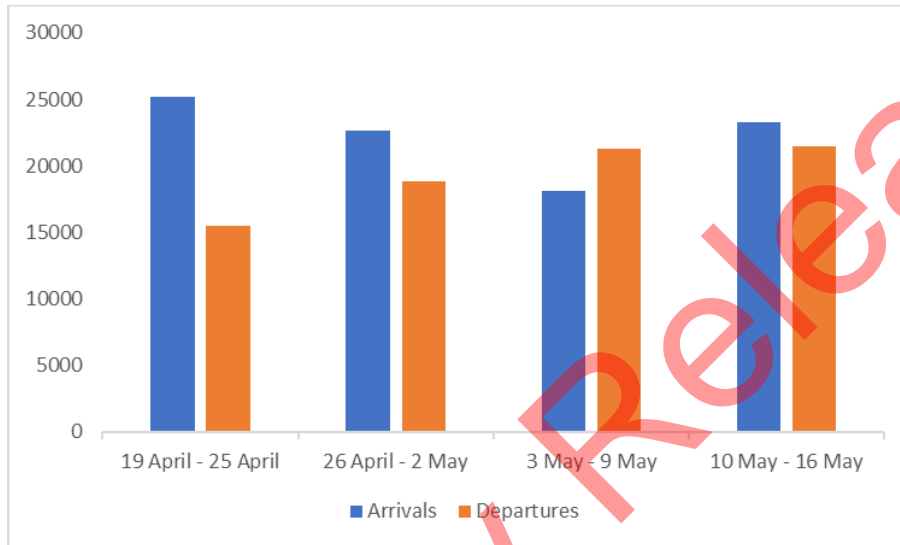
2. COVID-19 Insights

2.1 Insights of Note

2.1.1 Flight Arrivals and Departures

For the period 19 April to 18 May (following the opening of Quarantine Free Travel with Australia), there were a total of 89,234 arrivals to New Zealand, and 77,067 departures.¹ There were 12,167 more passenger arrivals than departures over the period. This is illustrated in figure 1.

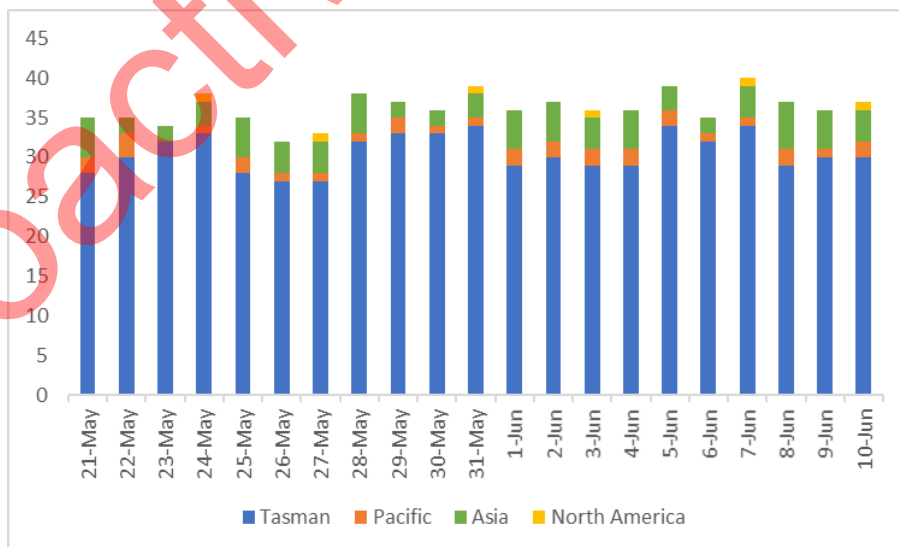
Figure 1: International Flight Arrivals and Departures – 19 April to 16 May By Week



2.1.2 Upcoming Flights

There are 761 commercial flights² scheduled to arrive into New Zealand in the next three weeks (from 21 May to 10 June 2021) as shown in figure 2. On average, this is made up of 31 flights per day from Australia, 2 from the Pacific, and 4 from Asia.

Figure 2: Scheduled International Flight Arrivals – 21 May to 10 June



¹ New Zealand Customs Service. Passenger arrivals and departures. <https://www.customs.govt.nz/covid-19/more-information/passenger-arrivals-departures/>. Accessed 21 May 2021.

² Personal communication, Ministry of Transport, 21 May 2021. Note: schedules are subject to change.

Upcoming Flights from the Cook Islands

For the period there are 10 incoming flights scheduled from the Cook Islands, which will arrive into New Zealand and then depart the following day, with a capacity for 302 passengers per flight.³⁴ All Cook Islands flights are into Auckland International Airport.

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³ Boeing. Boeing Dreamliner 787. <https://www.boeing.com/commercial/787/>. Accessed 20 May 2021.

⁴ Personal communication, Principal Advisor, Ministry of Transport, 21 May 2021.

3. Ministry of Health Weekly Report



3.1 Policy/Programme Updates

3.1.1 COVID-19 Vaccine and Immunisation Programme

As at 18 May 2021, 474,435 vaccinations have been delivered, including 152,933 people who are fully vaccinated. Of those fully vaccinated 9 percent are Māori, 6 percent are Pasifika, and 19 percent are Asian. 94 sites were active on 18 May 2021.

The allocation plan for the next seven days is for 72,874 doses across New Zealand.

General practice and pharmacy rollout

Dr Samantha Murton, President of the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners, participated in a joint media session with the Director-General of Health on 13 May 2021. They outlined to the public and sector how general practice and community pharmacy will participate in the COVID-19 Vaccine and Immunisation Programme (CVIP).

Mass vaccination events

The Ministry of Health continues to work with events company Auckland Unlimited to develop guidance for district health boards (DHBs) on running a mass vaccination event. Workstreams from across the programme are supporting this work to provide national guidance and tools. Considerations for mass vaccination events include how they could be used to target certain populations, how to get high throughput to alleviate some pressure off larger DHBs, and whether such an event could be used to create a strong national focus on the commencement of Group 4.

The Northern Regional Health Co-ordination Centre is in the planning phase for its first mass vaccination event. Decisions on venue and date are not confirmed but the first event could be in late June 2021. This could be used as a trial run before we move to scale immunisation.

Post-event monitoring

The Programme Steering Group has agreed in principle to the implementation of an active monitoring system for pharmacovigilance. Work is underway to identify a digital solution and the subsequent development of an implementation plan.

Vaccination of border workers - maritime

The Ministry of Health is actively working with DHB operational leads on the urgent need to support vaccination of port workers. Collaborative planning with DHBs, Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBUs), and the Ministry of Transport is essential to ensure that accessible and effective options for vaccination of port workforce can be implemented.

Equity

Investment to support Māori COVID-19 vaccine rollout

Contract negotiations have begun with DHBs for the second tranche funding of \$24.5 million (of total \$39 million) to establish a support service around the vaccination rollout and help whānau to navigate the vaccine and wider health services. Tumu Whakarāe will oversee the distribution of funds from their respective DHBs, which will provide a line of sight on which Māori providers are funded.

Disability

As at 10 May 2021, DHBs have received the detailed information from providers of disability support services with Group 2b clients (people receiving residential or similar services) to support operational delivery for those with complex needs.

Technology

Last week was a big week in technology with the go-live of two new systems:

- the National Immunisation Booking System is in pilot at two Auckland sites with more than 800 appointments made
- the new Whakarangaroa Aotearoa customer relationship management system, which enables a much better customer experience for those calling about immunisation, was rolled out to more than 400 users.

Workforce

As of 18 May 2021, 5,477 vaccinators have completed COVID-19 vaccinator training and 2,037 vaccinators have actively vaccinated in the programme so far.

Following your consideration of HR *Covid-19 Vaccinator Workforce: Amendment to Medicines Regulations 1984* the draft Cabinet paper was provided to your office earlier this week with the final Cabinet paper expected to be lodged on 20 May 2021 for Cabinet on 24 May 2021.

A draft Cabinet paper regarding proposed changes to the Medicines Regulations to enable currently non-regulated workers to become COVID-19 vaccinators was sent to Ministers on 18 May 2021.

The statutory consultation to seek input on the proposal to make changes to the Medicines Regulations 1984 commenced on 13 May 2021 and closed on 18 May 2021. 103 submissions were received. We are still reviewing the feedback, but early indications suggest no 'show stopper' concerns.

Approximately 75 percent of the submissions support the proposal, with particularly strong support from Māori and disability advocates.

We have completed two pilot programmes with Māori Health Providers (one in Auckland and the other in the Waikato) for the training developed by the Immunisation Advisory Centre (IMAC) and CareerForce for this workforce. Both have gone well, with positive feedback and only minor adjustments to the programme approach.

Distribution and inventory management

As at end of day 18 May 2021, we have made 752 deliveries to sites across the country. This equates to delivery of 80,454 vials or 482,724 doses.

In addition to building a bespoke supply model for each region, the focus this week for CVIP Logistics includes the design of detailed end-to-end business processes across four key domains – order fulfilment, logistics and distribution, inventory management, and supply and demand management. This work is critical to establish a robust and futureproofed model for national vaccine delivery at scale.

Communications

The first of a series of commercials targeting the Māori community started on television last week. The campaign proposition of 'Be a doer, Karawhiua!', is woven throughout the www.Karawhiua.nz website, and will play out across television as well as on radio and digital channels as the campaign continues to roll out.

Campaign content targeting the Pasifika community started on 16 May 2021, and includes community activation, followed by an advertising campaign that will begin from 24 May 2021. This will include radio, outdoor advertising, various digital channels and on television. The campaign proposition is 'Let's journey for each other', which encourages Pacific people to take action and get vaccinated, for each other.

Rollout of the vaccine to Polynesia

Cook Islands

The confirmed date for the start of vaccine rollout in the Cook Islands is 20 May 2021 (New Zealand time). Leading up to this, we are expecting on 18 May 2021 (NZT) for Vaccines to arrive in the Cook Islands from New Zealand and 19 May 2021 (NZT) - 'Wet run' – vaccination of vaccinators.

The Immunisation Advisory Centre arrived in the Cook Islands on 10 May 2021 to provide vaccinator training and accredit their cold chain storage.

Niue

We are planning to deliver vaccines in early June 2021 in order for Niue to complete their vaccine rollout by mid-July 2021, at the latest. We estimate it will take five weeks for vaccine rollout in Niue (two weeks for each dose). The current target date is 2 June 2021. Weekly meetings with the Niue health officials will track progress.

Tokelau

We are working with Tokelau on planning of the vaccine rollout. At this stage we anticipate the rollout to commence in July 2021 with support from the New Zealand Defence Force.

Next steps

We will provide you with a further update in the next Weekly Report.

3.2 Technical Advisory Group: Update

The COVID-19 Vaccine Technical Advisory Group (CVTAG) met on 11 May 2021. The key points that were discussed were:

- **Pfizer vaccine:** It was noted that the FDA has extended emergency use authorisation for the Pfizer vaccine to include ages 12 to 15, and that Medsafe is expecting adolescent trial data from Pfizer shortly for expansion of provisional approval in New Zealand.
- **Vaccine rollout:** An update was provided to CVTAG on the current vaccine rollout in New Zealand. A minor possible upcoming choke point is the arrival of the next batch of vaccines in June 2021 coinciding with higher demand from expanding eligibility to Group 3. Doses need to be reserved for those receiving their second dose and for emergency purposes. The Government is working proactively on developing communications around this matter. The Ministry of Health has also been working with primary care colleagues to establish primary vaccination centres that can participate in the wider vaccine rollout.
- **Adverse event reporting:** The post-event workstream provided an update on the adverse event reporting process, including work that is being undertaken towards an uplift to the Centre for Adverse Reactions Monitoring system, and the development of a clinical protocol for the management of consumers who experience an adverse event following the first dose. It was noted that the implementation of an active monitoring system has been approved in principle, with further work underway on this. CVTAG noted that the active monitoring system is key to building community confidence in the vaccine and to increase uptake. There was strong support from CVTAG for the active short message service-based reporting system to be implemented immediately.

- Vaccination during an outbreak:** CVTAG’s advice was sought on ring vaccination as a strategy in New Zealand. CVTAG noted that there are practical difficulties associated with delivering a true ring vaccination approach in the setting of COVID-19 and, as such, a more ‘targeted vaccination’ should be adopted during an outbreak. Targeted vaccination should be implemented alongside other public health measures and not as a standalone measure, and a protocol should be developed and ready for implementation if we have an outbreak. CVTAG endorsed the approach of targeted vaccination and the development of a protocol to guide the implementation of ring vaccination as part of the contingency plan for such a scenario.
- Timing of flu vaccine:** There was a discussion about whether the Ministry of Health can endorse that it is acceptable to have a four week gap between two doses of the Pfizer vaccine, following questions received via the Immunisation Advisory Centre 0800 line on the timing of the flu vaccine. It was noted that changing the Ministry of Health’s view on the interval between doses would have significant implications for the booking system, the COVID-19 Immunisation Register, and distribution and volume planning. The current public messaging is that doses should be spaced at least 21 days apart.

The COVID-19 Technical Advisory Group (TAG) did not meet in the week commencing 10 May 2021. The next TAG meeting is scheduled for 28 May 2021.

3.3 Upcoming Communications Issues and Activities

As at 19 May 2021

Date	Activity	Lead agency	Comms material	Ministerial involvement
Week commencing 17 May 21	COVID Tracer App Release 7. New features will make the app more user-friendly and make it possible to share Bluetooth tracing keys between New Zealand and the Cook Islands	Health	Press release, social media, website content	Optional
Week commencing 17 May 21	Cook Islands quarantine free travel commences – notifying travellers to the Cook Islands to avoid mosquito bites due to dengue fever	Health	Key messages, website content	No
Week commencing 17 May 21	Wastewater sampling has confirmed weak positive results of COVID-19 in Wellington wastewater. We are reminding people to seek testing if they have symptoms and to follow core public health advice	Health	Press release, key messages, web content	Optional
19 May 21	Announcement saliva testing will be rolled out to frontline border workers, less invasive and part of mandatory testing requirement	Health	Press release, talking points	Yes

4. Managed Isolation and Quarantine Weekly Report

4.1 Top Items to Note

4.1.1 Staff testing update – compliance statistics for 10 - 16 May 2021

- Reporting from Border Working Testing Register (BWTR) shows that 4,128 people undertook work in our facilities last week and of these:
 - 3,831 were compliant with their obligations;
 - 210 were overdue; and
 - 87 were still to have their NHI-matched.
- Of those that were NHI-matched, 95% were compliant and 5% were overdue.
- Of the 5% of workers (210) that were non-compliant, the majority (187) have had a previous swab and 23 were recorded as not having had a swab. It is likely that some of them have been swabbed but it is not showing up in BWTR at this time.
- Of the 210 non-compliant workers, 48 are overdue by 6 to 9 days, 110 are overdue by 10+ days.
- Workforce Testing Advisors are now getting more detailed reports showing workers who are non-compliant; it includes detail on what the non-compliance looks like (e.g. overdue swab by number of days, no swab, or no NHI match). This allows the team to prioritise follow ups with employers and PCBUs based on the public health risk. For example, the team are focussing on those workers over due for a swab by 10+ days, rather than those only 0-2 days overdue (as those workers may have been swabbed but the data is still being uploaded into BWTR).
- From what Advisors are hearing through their follow-ups there seems to be some confusion for employers and PCBUs around tests after a worker's last shift (i.e. they will no longer be working on MIQ sites), we are looking at how we can improve messaging to clear up that confusion.
- Following the ransomware attack on the Waikato DHB, we have been notified that there have been delays in swab testing impacting the results of border workers in MIQ. This delay will impact next week's compliance report as Waikato based workers may not have their swab data updated in BWTR.

4.1.2 Vaccination of frontline staff update

- Employers are still working through employment processes with 17 unvaccinated workers, and these workers are not able to work in the MIQF while this process is occurring.
- As at 19 May 2021, 13% of the MIQ Workforce are yet to receive the second dose of the vaccination.
- BWTR was updated with the vaccination data of all workers who fall under Schedule 2 of the Vaccination Order as at 13 May 2021. New MIQ Vaccination Certificates will be issued every 2-3 days from this point to cover new workers, and workers who have now had their second dose.
- According to BWTR, the total number of unvaccinated workers on site was 161 (4% of the workforce). Follow up on these records showed that workers were vaccinated, but NHI matching issues and integration issues between BWTR and CIR mean this data is not being pulled through to BWTR to complete assurance reporting. MoH have advised they are working on the issue and it estimated to be fixed within 3 weeks.
- Last week a total of 3 people applied for an exception to enter a MIF. Of these, 2 were approved and 1 was declined. The 2 approved were for the Pullman hotel, to fix the freezer

so food wouldn't spoil, and the Holiday Inn Auckland, for an interpreter as the original person got injured. The declined exception was at the Sebel for a person to fix the external CCTV.

- For the period 13 to 20 May 2021, there have been three occasions where unvaccinated contactors were allowed by gate security to enter the site. Upon management identifying the error, the contractors were removed from the site and we have re-educated gate security staff on the proof of vaccination requirements to enter the site.

4.1.3 MIQ Leadership Forum

- MBIE hosted the inaugural MIQ cross agency Leadership Forum last week, with 70 attendees from various organisations across the MIQ system.
- Approximately 350 others joined the sessions via videoconference.
- Day one focused on where we have come from and what the future might look like with speakers from our DHBs on specific issues they have faced over the past year and international speakers on their issues to date and thoughts for the future.
- The second day was focused on workshopping current and future issues.
- Key outcomes from the forum were:
 - A desire to foster a "one MIQ team" culture across the agencies;
 - fostering a just culture for staff, continuing to focus on system improvements;
 - focus on supporting the workforce; and
 - further focus on engaging with our communities.

4.2 Operational update

4.2.1 Capacity update

- From early March to present, over 71,250 returnees from over 180 countries have secured a voucher to return home during the period of March through to the end of September 2021.
- As at 7am 19 May 2021, there were over 2,700 rooms available for the period of May through to September 2021, spread across all months.
- While a few dates remain available in late May, June and early July 2021, they are now very limited.

4.2.2 Adjustment to MIQ operating capacity

- Previously, we have been reporting in the publicly released daily snapshot a 4,000 room operating capacity following the decision to offline 500 rooms for the initial QFT period.
- More recently we have been operating at a lower capacity due to the planned ongoing maintenance work, cohorting adjustments as well as both the Grand Mercure and Grand Millennium being offline.
- We will begin to report on the revised figure of 3,100 from next week.
- We will continue to adjust this as changes to our capacity are made to ensure a more accurate reflection of our capacity is released publicly and that the commentary in the daily snapshot explains the rationale for any adjustment when it is made.
- We will also be re-looking at the format of the daily snapshot and will keep your office informed about this work.

4.2.3 Ombudsman update

- The Ombudsman visited the M Social facility this week, on Wednesday 19 May 2021.
- There are currently five open OPCAT matters, four of which are provisional reports s9(2)(b)(ii) and one is a final report s9(2)(b)(ii)

4.2.4 Security Enhancement Programme

- MBIE have employed 31 MBIE Operations and Security Managers, 15 MBIE Security Officers, and one Regional Operations and Security Manager. Three Regional Operations and Security Managers have been appointed.
- 158 MBIE Security Officers are to be recruited and expected to be on boarded by the end of July 2021.
- Security Officers will be on board in the Christchurch region from 8 June 2021, followed closely by Hamilton, Rotorua and Auckland.
- MBIE Security Officers are being supplied with an MBIE branded uniform.

4.2.5 Air filtration units update

- There are two types of filtration units that are being installed in the MIF's. One type is being installed in shared spaces (e.g. lifts and corridors) and HEPA only filters that are being installed in particular rooms (e.g. swabbing and returnee rooms).
- With the HEPA only units (being installed in rooms) there is a world-wide shortage as there is an overwhelming demand due to COVID-19. Due to limited availability of the units they are being installed where most urgently required i.e. in swabbing rooms.
- With the units that are being installed in the common areas within the MIF's, the delays are due to port congestion and international shipping constraints, as opposed to the supplier not being able to meet demand.
- Alternative units have been considered, however have a six-month lead time. The Ministry of Health will seek to expedite the units through the ports to allow the roll out to continue as soon as possible.

4.3 Schedule of Reviews

4.3.1 Update on investigations – Grand Mercure and Grand Millennium

Grand Mercure

- We are working on the proactive release of the Grand Mercure joint incident review.
- The Grand Mercure ventilation maintenance work will be complete end of May 2021.

Grand Millennium

- The Grand Millennium incident review has been sent to the Minister's office.
- Grand Millennium onsite ventilation testing is complete. Waiting on a response from hotel in relation to addressing the findings and once received will be presented to MIQ TAG.

4.3.2 MIQ Facilities Ventilation Review

- 26 of 31 sites have provided full or provisional onsite test results to MBIE.

- The Ventilation group (VWG) have reviewed the reports for 18 sites.

4.4 Large Group Arrivals Update

Summary of approved group arrivals as at 18 May 2021

Group	Date of Arrival	Pax Numbers	Comments
Olympic athletes	May – Jul 2021	157	Returnees from Tokyo Olympic qualifying events. Various return dates. 157 allocated, only 62 used. This is due to some obtaining vouchers through MIAS, events being cancelled and athletes choosing not to travel.
Refugees quota re-start - Cohort 2	6 Apr – 12 May 2021	63	The final arrival for this cohort of 8 pax are scheduled to arrive 12 May 2021.
Refugees quota re-start - Cohort 3	25 May – 1 Jun 2021	71	Key information will be communicated to family groups with low literacy levels through daily phone calls from Refugee Centre Staff. Onsite interpreters will continue to be utilised by the MIF where need be.
RSE – 150 rolling entry per 16 days	TBC 20/21 Jun 2021 – Mar 2022	Approx. 2,550	Total number of workers will depend on agreed start and end dates, noting a reduction in numbers during Oct 2021 due to high demand for group allocations. These RSE arrivals will be accommodated in Hamilton for duration of the arrivals.
Inbound rugby team	Jun 2021	60	Final team to be confirmed, Italy has now had to withdraw and it is likely to be Fiji.
Returning Olympic Athletes (3 Cohorts)	Aug 2021	Approx. 600	Athletes, staff and media returning from the Olympics, 3 cohorts in Aug 2021.
Inbound netball team	Aug 2021	30	Details to be confirmed.
Paralympic athletes	Sep 2021	100	Athletes and management returning from the Paralympics' in Tokyo, single cohort. Details to be confirmed.

Fijian Rugby team

The Public Health Risk Assessment has been delayed due to a lack of information from New Zealand Rugby/Fiji Rugby Union. Urgent work is underway to confirm these details in order to complete the assessment. This information is critical to inform the health exemption, which is required to train while in isolation as the team will play the All Blacks on 10 and 17 July 2021. A delay in receiving information also delays final logistical arrangements as they are reliant on final bubble confirmation.

RSE

The deadlines for Industry to meet MIQ planning deadlines for first two flights are quickly approaching. The first flight details are required by Monday 24 May 2021 to meet the 21 June 2021 arrival. It is unclear as to whether or not the industry can meet these and whether there will be any arrivals on 21 June 2021. Any delays to confirmation will disrupt MIQ cohort planning for Hamilton and significant pressure will be placed on delivery teams if key planning deadlines are allowed to slip to accommodate industry.

Industry have stated that they cannot provide a single counterparty for the Crown Services Agreement (required to charge for the additional services). A single counterparty for the Crown Services Agreement was set out in the letter from Ministers sent earlier in the week. They have suggested that all employers be contracted and invoiced separately, but due to the large number of employers within the individual groups, as well as details not being confirmed until close to arrival, this will pose a significant administrative and financial burden on MIQ (from both a contractual and invoicing perspective). If contract negotiations continue to be delayed, Crown will not be able to charge for the additional costs. For the RSE group who entered this year, there was no Crown Services Agreement,

but one industry body was responsible for being invoiced and they managed the on-charging to employers themselves.

Russian mariners

MIQ has been notified by the fishing companies lawyer that a further group of up to 32 fishermen have been booked in via MIAS, and are due to arrive in New Zealand on 3 June 2021. MIQ Group arrivals will manage this group in accordance with other group arrivals to ensure risks are appropriately mitigated. This will include pre-departure communication (to be sent through the lawyer), notification that pre-departure measures have been met, and in-person translators while in the MIF. Work is also underway to explore options for charging additional costs. We will be providing your office with a briefing on this [2021-3801 Management of cohorts who come through MIAS].

Returning Olympians

Issues have arisen with some Olympians returning from Olympic qualifiers. These sportspeople are arriving as regular returnees and do not have exemptions for training. However, some have been making continued requests outside of SOPs, including requesting special rooms that would otherwise be provided for families or individuals with special needs. MIQ is working with Sport NZ to ensure that expectations are carefully managed and no unnecessary pressure is placed on facilities.

4.5 Upcoming Communications Issues and Activities

As at 19 May 2021

Date	Activity	Lead Agency	Comms Material	Ministerial Involvement Y/N
25 May 2021	Saliva testing announcement	MoH	Proactive communications	Y
28 May 2021	MIQ/Accor exhibition as PRINZ finalist	Accor	Proactive communications	N
1 – 3 June 2021	Rapid Assessment Review on MIQ	MIQ	Proactive communications	N
1 – 3 June 2021	Overview of Grand Millenium and Grand Mercure issues	MIQ	Proactive communications and engagement	N
1 – 3 June 2021	Staff testing audit	MIQ	Proactive communications	N
Jun 2021	Onsite survey of all MIF ventilation	MoH	Reactive information	N
5 June 2021	All MIQ workers have second vaccine dose	MIQ	Proactive communications	TBC
TBC early/mid-June 2021	Estimates	MoH/MBIE/MIQ	Preparatory communications	Y

4.6 Fees and Waivers

- The weekly update on MIQ fees and waivers is not available this week due to technical system issues.
- Work is underway to implement a new system to streamline and improve the invoicing system.
- It is anticipated that the initial phase of the establishment of the reporting system will be completed by 31 May 2021.
- This includes a data platform to enable matching of data across multiple data sets and transition of weekly reporting over to MBIE Finance.
- Finance are considering alternative metrics for reporting. There will be engagement with your office as to the types of information you would like to receive going forward.
- Work continues to streamline and strengthen the system while the new platform is developed.

4.7 Emergency Allocation Applications

- 3,230 applications have been processed since 30 Oct 2020.
- 19 applications were received in the week ending 16 May 2021 and 8 applications were processed.
- From the applications processed in the week ending 16 May 2021, 88% of the applications were approved.

Emergency Allocation Applications	Weekly Totals	Year to Date Totals
	10 May 2021 to 16 May 2021	30 Oct 2020 to 16 May 2021
Approved	7	1,791
Declined	1	1,439
Applications processed*	8	3,230

*This number does not reflect applications declined at triage stage, rather incomplete applications, or applications not submitted within 14 days of intended departure.

Note: Data integration started on 28 Apr 2021 to import and capture manual applications processed between 04 Dec 2020 and 20 Dec 2020. We have imported 163 out of 216 applications.

Total Rooms Approved	7
Rooms Allocated in MIAS	6
Cancelled by the applicant	1
Awaiting flight details or MIAS registrations from the applicants to complete the room allocation process	0

Approvals by Category

- New categories came into force after the 1 Apr 2021:

1a - NZ citizen or resident with serious risk to health

1b - To provide care and protection to a child

2a - NZ citizen or resident to provide critical care for a dependant

2b - Critical worker for delivering a critical public or health service

2c - NZ citizen or resident unable to legally remain in their current location

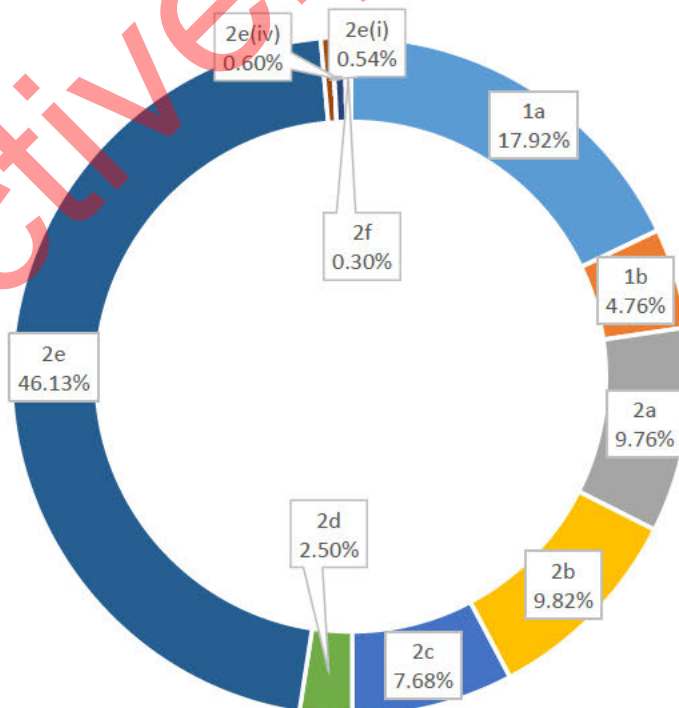
2d - Travel required for National security, interest or law enforcement reasons

2e - NZ citizen or resident categories

- i) Entering New Zealand to visit a close relative living with a terminal illness or end-stage disease (with a life expectancy of six months or less) where timely travel is unlikely to be possible if the person books through MIAS; OR
- ii) Who are living with a terminal illness or end-stage disease (with a life expectancy of six months or less) entering New Zealand to visit a close relative or to reside in New Zealand, where timely travel is unlikely to be possible if the person books through the MIAS system; OR
- iii) Who are living with a terminal illness or end-stage disease (with a life expectancy of six months or less) who have travelled or are travelling to visit a close relative who reside overseas, where timely return is unlikely to be possible if the person books through the MIAS system; OR
- iv) Who have travelled or are travelling to visit a close relative who is living with a terminal illness or end stage disease (with a live expectancy of six months or less) and resides overseas where, timely return travel is unlikely to be possible if the person books through MIAS.

2f - Citizens or residents of Pacific countries requiring access under an official medical treatment scheme to time-critical medical treatment in New Zealand

Chart 1: Breakdown of approvals by the different categories within emergency allocation.



4.8 Resolutions Update

- Data from the Complaints and Feedback Customer Management System for the week 11 May to 17 May 2021 is as follows:

Week	Received	Active Cases	Resolved
11 May 2021 – 17 May 2021			
Complaints	52	31	27
Improvements	2	0	2
Compliments	2	0	2
Queries	2	1	1
Ombudsman	4	5	0
Parliamentary/OIA	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Total	62	37	32

- Average number of complaints received each week since the start of MIQ is 108. For the last 4 weeks the average is 56 per week.
- This week we have received 62 new cases and have resolved 32 cases.
- Of these complaints 53% were about facilities, 47% were about fee waivers and there was a slight increase in MIAS/voucher complaints. All other complaint types remained steady.

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5. Border Executive Board Report



5.1 Key Issues Being Considered by the Executive Board

5.1.1 Border Workforce

- Police have successfully completed a large border staff rotation (150) in compliance with border testing and vaccination requirements.
- Agencies, including Ministry of Health, continue working closely together to identify and resolve barriers to vaccination. As an example, Health has developed and promulgated a process map with points of contact to facilitate new border employees and their household contacts prioritisation for vaccination.
- The latest upgrade of the Border Workforce Testing Register (BWTR) allows more employers to see which of their workers have been vaccinated (specifically those who did not consent to share this information with their employer). Border agencies continue to work with MOH officials to improve and refine the BWTR.
- In addition to MIQ, as at 18 May 2021, there were 201 PCBUs in the BWTR.

5.1.2 Quarantine Free Travel – Cook Islands

- Two-way quarantine free travel with the Cooks Islands began on 17 May with 297 passengers departing Auckland to Rarotonga on 18 May on the first flight.
- Pre-departure checks by Customs’ Passenger Targeting Unit identified two passengers who had booked but did not meet the eligibility requirements of having spent 14 days in New Zealand prior to departure. Neither passenger checked in for the 18 May departure flight.

5.1.3 Travellers from Very High-Risk Countries – Implementation of Measures

- On 17 May, agencies met for the eighth time to consider the implementation of risk mitigation measures for travellers from very high-risk countries (currently India, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, and Brazil).
- An interagency meeting was held on 18 May to discuss developing an update for Ministers by 21 May on travel from very high-risk countries, particularly India.

5.1.4 Travel Health Pass

- The Border Executive Board is working with other agencies to ensure overlapping work programmes are aligned and coordinated, with roles and responsibilities clear. Such work programmes include Ministry of Health’s vaccination certificate work, and DPMC’s reconnecting with the world programme.
- The Border Executive Board’s interest is in how travellers at the border can transact any required health credential and, eventually, the impact on Managed Isolation and Quarantine demand.
- Advice will be provided to Ministers by the end of June 2021.

5.2 Upcoming Communication Activities

Date	Activity	Lead agency	Comms material	Ministerial involvement
31 May 21	Pro-active release of the Review of the COVID-19 Border Measures – Tranche One (Aviation)*	Border Executive Board	Key messages	N

6. New Zealand Customs Service Weekly Report



6.1 Pre-Departure Testing

For the period 10 May 2021 to 16 May 2021, no infringements or warnings were issued.

Passengers

	Date	10 May	11 May	12 May	13 May	14 May	15 May	16 May	Week Total	%
	Total Passengers	4503	2697	2846	3341	3609	3119	2872	22987	
	Passengers subject to PDT	236	213	154	232	194	206	228	1463	6.3%
Primary Actions (Passport Control)	Test Certificate Verified	228	204	143	217	191	196	210	1389	95.0%
	Exemption Verified	7	4	6	7	2	4	13	43	3.0%
	Referred to Secondary Area	1	5	5	8	1	6	5	31	2.0%
Secondary Area Actions	Compliant	1	5	5	8	1	6	5	31	100%
	Warned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Infringement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
	Prosecution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Crew

	Date	10 May	11 May	12 May	13 May	14 May	15 May	16 May	Week Total	%
	Crew subject to PDT	52	88	56	56	61	65	9	387	
Primary Actions (Passport Control)	Test Certificate Verified	52	88	56	56	61	65	9	387	100%
	Exemption Verified	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Referred to Secondary Area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Secondary Area Actions	Compliant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Warned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Infringement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Prosecution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

7. COVID-19 Chief Executives Board

COVID-19 Chief Executives Board

7.1 Items to Note/Updates

The COVID-19 Chief Executives Board has not met this week. The next meeting is scheduled for the coming week.

8. COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group

Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group

8.1 Items to Note/Updates

The COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group did not meet this past week and a fortnightly meeting cadence is being firmed up. The Group Chair Sir Brian Roche met with Brook Barrington on Monday 17 May to discuss the draft report on the Auckland February 2021 outbreak review.

9. Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group

Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group

9.1 Items to Note/Updates

The Strategic COVID-19 public Health Advisory group meet on Wednesday 19 May 2021, Professor Shaun Hendy presented to the group on the latest a vaccine modelling. The groups next meeting will be on Wednesday 2 June 2021.

10. Business Leaders Forum

Business Leaders Forum

10.1 Items to Note/Updates

The Business Leaders Forum last met on 12 May. The next meeting will focus on the vaccination programme and include how many businesses can support the rollout. A meeting date has not yet been scheduled.

11. Government Modelling Group

Government Modelling Group

11.1 Items to Note/Updates

Officials briefed you on the initial modelling results on Wednesday 19 May, following the DPMC "Vaccination Modelling" briefing submitted on Friday 14 May.

Professor Shaun Hendy discussed the initial results with the Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group on Wednesday 19 May. The Group noted the key insights arising from the initial work, provided feedback on the approach taken, and thoughts on next steps for the modelling work programme.

Officials receive a final draft of the initial TPM vaccination modelling report on Tuesday 18 May and will discuss release schedule with Professor Hendy at the regular Modelling Steering

Group meeting on Tuesday 25 May. TPM continue to work through the key messages arising from this initial set of results and finalise a communications plan to support the release.

Officials will provide a further briefing regarding public release of the initial results, including any changes to the results compared with material shared with Ministers to date.

Attention will then turn to the next phase of the modelling work programme, as we look to build on the work done to date and progress work across areas most relevant to choices facing government over the next year.

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12. Upcoming Cabinet Papers

s9(2)(f)(iv)



13. Official Information Act Requests

13.1 Ministry of Health

Date due	Requestor	OIA Request	Status
12-May-21	Chris Bishop	The Ministry of Health paper dated 26 January 2021 referred to in the House; and any related covering report or aide-memoires and updated delivery schedules from Pfizer and referred to in the House.	In progress
24-May-21	s9(2)(a)	Information regarding this fund https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/300000-students-benefit-free-mental-health-services between specific parties	In progress
24-May-21	Chris Bishop	Information relating to the "very high risk" category of overseas countries.	In progress
25-May-21	s9(2)(a)	Information relating to the COVID card trial.	In progress

Date due	Requestor	OIA Request	Status
25-May-21	s9(2)(a)	Information relating to the "very high risk" category of overseas countries.	In progress
28-May-21	s9(2)	Information relating to the Infectious and Notifiable Diseases Order (No2) 2020.	In progress
28-May-21	s9(2)(a)	Advice given to the Minister/Cabinet on the vaccine rollout.	In progress
31-May-21	Chris Bishop	A copy of the full Review of the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Required Testing) Order 2020 received on 17 Feb 2021. I also request the review referred to ("the most recent review of these Orders later this month") from March and the advice that relates.	In progress
31-May-21	Chris Bishop	The "working group review" of the COVIDCard trial; and the "advice on the preliminary findings from the trial" mentioned in response to WPQ 5517 (2021).	In progress
10-Jun-21	Chris Bishop	Advice on maximising the uptake of the BWTR on 26 February 2021.	In progress
15-Jun-21	s9(2)(a)	Information relating to NZ's purchase of Pfizer's Comirnaty.	In progress

13.2 Managed Isolation and Quarantine

*Note: Any OIA highlighted in **bold** is a new addition from the previous report.*

Date due	Requestor	Media/Opposition	OIA Request	Status
1 Sep 20	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	All docs etc. for MIQ charges policy incl. for treaty obligations & BORA.	Overdue
23 Oct 20	s9(2)(a)	Stuff/Dom Post	MIQ infection prevention audit report, docs, etc. re staff testing, ops, etc.	Minister's office
14 Dec 20	s9(2)(a)	MediaWorks	Correspondence with INZ re applications by athlete/sporting organisations.	Minister's office
23 Dec 20	s9(2)(a)	Stuff	Complaints lodged by residents of managed isolation facilities.	Under review
25 Jan 21	Dr Shane Reti (MP)	Opposition	Pre-flight testing for returnees to NZ, specifically regards Russian seamen.	Drafting
18 Mar 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	Subsequent advice from meetings with iwi about MIQ facilities.	Decision on request sent
29 Mar 21	s9(2)(a)	Newshub	Complaints at MIQ - Workers who has been dismissed and reasons at MIQ.	Under review
20 Apr 21	s9(2)(a)	Stuff	What advice was given/research conducted regards alternative MIQ options.	Under review
22 Apr 21	s9(2)(a)	Stuff	All 2020 corr. with SeaLord, Independent fisheries & Maruha Nichiro.	Under review

Date due	Requestor	Media/Opposition	OIA Request	Status
27 Apr 21	s9(2)	Not applicable	Info/evidence re decisions to hold MIQ returnee & 6 month baby for test.	Under review
30 Apr 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Risk management programme for each and every premises used for MIQ.	Drafting
30 Apr 21	s9(2)(a)	RNZ	All docs re COVID contact tracing card trial at Bay Plaza in Welly 7/12/20.	Decision on request sent
4 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Newshub	Query regarding COVID card trial in MIQ cost.	Decision on request sent
5 May 21	Christopher Bishop	Opposition	Regarding proposals for purpose built MIQ facilities since COVID.	Minister's office
7 May 21	s9(2)(a)	RNZ	Info RE establishing purpose-built quarantine facility in New Zealand.	Under review
11 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Identity of certain NZDF staff at an MIQ facility.	Drafting
11 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Info relating to the MIQ Allocation System.	Drafting
11 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	MIQ hotel(s) allocated to the passengers arriving off flights into Auckland.	Under review
11 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Info relating to MIQ spots available over past 3 months.	Under review
13 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Maritime capacity as per MNZ maritime industry update #69.	Gathering information
17 May 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	Advice to Minister's on current testing rates and addressing challenges.	Scoping
19 May 21	s9(2)(a)	TVNZ	Correspondence relating to MIQ exemption applications.	Minister's office
19 May 21	s9(2)(a)	NZME	How many attempts there had been at absconding from MIQ facilities.	Minister's office
20 May 21	s9(2)(a)	RNZ	Details on MIQ breaches from 14th of June 20 until the 21st of April 21.	Scoping
20 May 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	RE request for MIQ facility improvement undertakings MBIE has made & costs.	Minister's office
21 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Expansions of MIQ facilities for reports to officials, Ministers & studies.	Under review
21 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Newshub	Consequence of privacy breach of private info sent with MIQ emails to wrong applicant.	Drafting
24 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Records for security purposes.	Scoping
24 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Information around Oriental Bay Plaza Wellington requesting no MIQ signs.	Gathering information

Date due	Requestor	Media/Opposition	OIA Request	Status
25 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Details around any security breaches at MIQ facility on Oriental Parade.	Under review
25 May 21	s9(2)	Not applicable	Numbers of those choosing hospital over MIQ.	Approved
26 May 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	Copies of the filled health matrixes for declined MIQ exemption request.	Drafting
27 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Request for copy of investigation report of Grand Mercure in March 2021.	Drafting
27 May 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	Request for paper on assessment of proposals for sport MIQ.	Under review
27 May 21	s9(2)(a)	Stuff	What is the allocated budget for MIQ alterations and minimal close down fee.	Under review
27 May 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	Query into regulation of border workers and COVID-19 testing requirements.	Gathering information
28 May 21	Christopher Bishop	Opposition	Request for all copies of ventilation assessments of all MIQ facilities.	Under review
1 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	RNZ	Query on no. of MIQ workers made redundant due to refusal of vaccination.	Gathering information
1 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Stuff	Info relating to Christchurch Regional Isolation and Quarantine centre.	Under review
2 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Newshub	Regarding building of purpose built MIQ facilities, including non-hotels.	Under review
3 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Regarding connections between MBIE (MIQ) & Stamford hotel group.	Drafting
3 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	RNZ	RE statistics on how many security guards work at MIQ fac. & costs.	Under review
4 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Breakdown of MIQ returnees by who paid/didn't pay and from what location.	Scoping
4 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Directive from the Minister authorising cancellation of MIQ vouchers.	Under review
4 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	MIQ transport standard operating procedure.	Scoping
4 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Outstanding MIQ fees.	Scoping
4 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Records about gas meter reading company Arthur D Riley reading meter at MIQ.	Scoping
4 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	RNZ	Correspondence relating to increase in MIQ fees & data on MIQ fees to date.	Under review
8 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Newshub	Unaccompanied minors in managed isolation facilities.	Gathering information

Date due	Requestor	Media/Opposition	OIA Request	Status
8 Jun 21	Lobby New Zealand	Not applicable	Information on statement that 90% of MIQ staff had their COVID vaccination.	Scoping
8 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	All correspondence relating to DOIA 2021-1194.	Drafting
10 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	TVNZ	Reviews on MIQ to stop programmes from booking vouchers for other people.	Under review
11 Jun 21	Chris Bishop	Opposition	Papers produced for MBIE workshop held on 20/01/21 with MoH/Private Sector.	Scoping
11 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	RNZ	How many frontline workers employment terminated due to no vaccine.	Drafting
11 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Health approach to MIQ returnees with/out neg test, & Jet Park capacity?	Scoping
11 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Newshub	All comms between MBIE and Pullman hotel management Jan 2021-Mar 2021.	Under review
14 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	TVNZ	Breakdown of declined emergency MIQ spots.	Scoping
14 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	Not applicable	Comms etc re Release request of MIQ facilities proposal.	Scoping
16 Jun 21	s9(2)(a)	NZ Herald	Release of document re; Assessment of Proposals for a sport MIQ Facility.	Scoping
16 Jun 21	s9(2)	Not applicable	Private Security Providers - breakdown of citizens and non-citizens.	Scoping
21 Jun 21	Chris Bishop	Opposition	Surveys done by facilities and DHBs of people who stayed at MIQ.	Minister's office

13.3 COVID-19 Group

Date due	Requestor	OIA Request	Status
29 March 2021	s9(2)	All documentation pertaining to the COVID-19 response and recovery efforts that your organisation has been involved in 2020.	Drafting
12 May 2021	s9(Information relating to the development of the Governments COVID-19 strategy.	QA
13 May 2021	s9(2)	Information relating to the hiring of Topham Guerin.	QA
17 May 2021	s9(2)	Any and all briefings, reports, emails, or presentations prepared for or to the Director-General, or presented by the Director General of Health Dr Ashley Bloomfield, in relation to conspiracy theories or misinformation in relation to New Zealand's response to COVID-19. I ask that information be included from the last six months.	Drafting

Date due	Requestor	OIA Request	Status
17 May 2021	s9(2)	Transcripts of speeches at the daily briefings from officials. Details on the amount of time COVID-19 advertisements were played each day on TV and radio and the cost of communication consultants and consultancies for the entire period. Meeting notes and memoranda surrounding COVID-19 response.	Drafting
25 May 2021	s9(When will the borders will be re-opened? Date or an approximate year?	Drafting
26 May 2021	s9(2)	Emails, reports or briefing documents which relate to posts on the Unite Against COVID-19 Facebook page concerning Case I, Case J and Case L.	Drafting
31 May 2021	s9(2)	Various details about the 'Unite against Covid-19' tee-shirts.	Drafting
1 June 2021	s9(2)	The four most recent "Weekly Report" documents (as extracted from in this OIA request) delivered to Minister Hipkins.	Scoping
3 June 2021	s9(2)	All communications between MBIE, MOH, NZDF and DPMC relating to or in connection the Stamford Hotel Group.	Scoping
8 June 2021	New Zealand	Advice given to Cabinet by any Ministry and/or public officials on the legitimacy of putting a temporary and/or permanent ban of New Zealand citizens and permanent residents from entering New Zealand from overseas, including from other Nations in the Realms of New Zealand, based on the grounds of Covid-19.	Drafting
8 June 2021	s9(2)	All information pertaining to advice received and decision making regarding the recent decision to temporarily suspend incoming arrivals to NZ who have been in India in the last 14 days.	Drafting
8 June 2021	s9(2)(a)	All advice, communications, materials, cabinet papers and other relevant official information produced between 1 February 2020 and 31 January 2021 relating to the domestic human rights law implications of limiting and/or prohibiting return by New Zealand citizens and permanent residents abroad during the COVID-19 pandemic, both generally and on a case-by-case basis.	Drafting
1 June 2021	s9(2)	Documents received by the minister regarding Covid-19 measures, including alert levels and restrictions, and the public's response (including compliance), from January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021.	Drafting
4 June 2021	s9(2)	COVID-19 vaccination forecasts- specifically numbers or percentages of the population to be vaccinated by dates (or time periods) and actual vaccinations delivered.	Scoping

13.4 New Zealand Customs Service

Note: Any OIA highlighted in **bold** is a new addition from the previous report.

Date due	Requestor	OIA Request	Status
10 Jun 21	s9(2)	Questions relating to fines for passengers arriving without providing COVID-19 negative tests	In Progress

Appendix A - Weekly updates from the Ministry of Health on Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) at the Border

	Audit summary	Audit high-risk findings, and actions taken to remedy	Incidents/reviews	IPC Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), operations frameworks and guidance documents
Managed Isolation and Quarantine Facilities (MIQFs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IPC Audits of the 32 MIQFs have commenced again. • Audits of five MIQF in the Auckland region have been completed. • Across these five MIQFs there is one high-risk finding. • Completion date for this round of IPC audits is scheduled for 9 July 2021. • A dedicated IPC Managed Isolation Walk (MIW) audit is being completed on three of the MIQF that operate MIW on 17 May 2021. • The last two rounds of audit results and the briefing papers are now published on the Ministry of Health's website. 	<p>The new high-risk finding identified at one facility related to communication breakdown within the MIQF multidisciplinary team resulting in returnee hospital discharges not being communicated to the Health team. The following mitigations were put in place on the day of audit to eliminate ongoing risk:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The RN shift co-ordinator will be telephoned and advised of any changes to returnee activities. • The MIF Health team email address will be added to the email distribution list. 	<p>The Grand Millennium report has gone to the Minister.</p>	<p>No changes.</p>
Airports				<p>The IPC Guidance for the Air Border (red and green zones) documents are finalised and on the MoH website. Advice from the Ministry of Transport on post landing plane ventilation issues has now been received; and wording of the appropriate sections amended accordingly.</p>
Maritime/ports				<p>Meeting set up with IPC team to finalise changes to PPE guidance. The draft PPE guidance which includes a section on the IPC guidance document is nearing finalisation and awaiting final approval from the Ministry of Health before being published. This should be finalised and posted on Maritime New Zealand's website by next week.</p>