



Proactive Release

The following documents have been proactively released by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC), on behalf of Minister of Health, Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall:

COVID-19 Briefings November 2022

The following documents have been included in this release:

Title of paper: 11112022 COVID-19 Consultation Practices and Requirements

Title of paper: 14112022 DPMC COVID-19 Transition - Strategy and Policy Coordination

Title of paper: 23112022 Government Appointments - COVID-19 Response and Associate Minister of Health

Title of paper: 25112022 Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet: COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund Quarter 1 report

Title of paper: 30112022 Future of the Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group

Title of paper: 30112022 Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet: Annual Review Pre-Hearing Questionnaire 2021 / 22 - COVID-19 Response portfolio

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Coversheet

Briefing: Government Appointments - COVID-19 Response and Associate Minister of Health

Date:	23/11/2022	Report No:	DPMC-2022/23-579
		Security Level:	IN CONFIDENCE
		Priority level:	Medium

	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall Minister for COVID-19 Response Associate Minister of Health	agree to review and send organisation forms to Cabinet Office	9/12/2022

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Minister's Office

Status:

Signed

Withdrawn

Comment for agency

Attachments: Yes

Briefing

Government Appointments - COVID-19 Response and Associate Minister of Health

To: Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Minister for COVID-19 Response
Associate Minister of Health

Date	23/11/2022	Security Level	[IN-CONFIDENCE]
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Purpose


To provide a completed organisation form for each of your COVID-19 Response and Associate Minister for Health portfolios, to meet the information requirements set out in Cabinet Office notice CO (22) 4, for your approval and submission.


Recommendations

We recommend you:

- note** that two organisation forms for entities relevant to your COVID-19 Response and Associate Minister of Health portfolios are required to be submitted to the APH Secretary, both disestablished during 2022; and
- submit** the completed organisation forms by Friday, 9 December 2022.

YES / NO


Jude Ulrich
Director, Organisation Direction and Development
Strategy, Governance and Engagement Group
23/11/2022


Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Minister for COVID-19 Response
8/12/22

Background

1. As outlined in Cabinet Office Notice CO (22) 4, each year the Cabinet Office compiles for Ministers a schedule of all government appointments considered by the Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee (APH).
2. Agencies have been asked to provide Cabinet Office with information about appointments to be considered by APH, even if no appointments are due to be made in 2023. An organisation form should be provided for any new bodies expected to be established.
3. Organisation forms must be submitted to the APH Secretary via the relevant Minister's office.
4. The Cabinet Office will use this information provided to compile a schedule for Ministers that:
 - a) lists of all bodies for which appointments are considered by APH;
 - b) indicates the planned vacancies arising in 2023 to allow the Ministers to nominate, to responsible Ministers, suitable candidates for upcoming vacancies; and
 - c) allows responsible Ministers to manage upcoming appointments, seek nominations, and consult their ministerial and parliamentary colleagues in advance of submitting papers to APH.
5. The information supplied will also contribute to the compilation of gender and ethnic representation stocktakes compiled by the Ministry for Women, Ministry for Ethnic Communities and Te Puni Kōkiri.

Organisation forms for your COVID-19 Response and Associate Minister for Health portfolios

1. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet is responsible for the following entities reporting within your COVID-19 Response and Associate Minister of Health portfolios:
 - a) COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group; and
 - b) the Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group.
2. The completed forms for the above entities are attached (**Attachments A & B**). These forms confirm the disestablishment of the COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group which will be removed from the Cabinet Office's records; and that membership of the Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group runs until 30 December 2022, after which point we understand that you intend to disestablish it.

Next steps

6. If you agree to the content in the organisation form, the form should be submitted by your office to the APH Secretary Vivien.Meek@dpmc.govt.nz by email. Final submissions are due by Friday, 9 December 2022.

Attachments:	Title	Security classification
Attachment A:	Completed organisation form for the COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group	IN CONFIDENCE
Attachment B:	Completed organisation form for the Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group	IN CONFIDENCE

Attachment A

Completed organisation form for the COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group

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APH Organisation Form

Organisation and Responsible Portfolio

Organisation: **COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group - DISESTABLISHED**

Responsible Portfolio: Minister for COVID-19 Response

Brief Outline of the Functions and Responsibilities of the Organisation

The Group was established to provide advice to the Minister for COVID-19 Response on specific areas of the response where improvements could be made with the benefit of alternative and independent perspectives. It was disestablished in June 2022.

Current Membership

Name	Gender Identity	Region	Ethnicities (and lwi if applicable)	Date of original appointment	Expiry date of present term

Attachment B

Completed organisation form for the Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group

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APH Organisation Form

Organisation and Responsible Portfolio

Organisation: **Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group – to be disestablished**

Responsible Portfolio: Associate Minister of Health

Brief Outline of the Functions and Responsibilities of the Organisation

The purpose of the group was to provide independent advice on Aotearoa New Zealand's ongoing COVID-19 response informed by their expertise in epidemiology, infectious diseases, public health, and modelling. It is proposed to disestablish the group from December 2022.

Current Membership

Name	Gender Identity	Region	Ethnicities (and Iwi if applicable)	Date of original appointment	Expiry date of present term
Dr Maia Brewerton	s9(2)(a)			31 March 2022	30 December 2022
Dr Ella Iosua				31 March 2022	30 December 2022
Professor David Murdoch				31 March 2022	30 December 2022
Professor Nikki Turner				31 March 2022	30 December 2022
Associate Professor Matire Harwood				30 June 2022	30 December 2022
Professor Patricia Priest				30 June 2022	30 December 2022