



Te Tāhū Hauora
Health Quality & Safety
Commission

14 February 2024

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Re: Official information request regarding Foetal Anti-Convulsant Syndrome (FACS)

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Official Information Act) which was transferred to Te Tāhū Hauora Health Quality & Safety Commission (Te Tāhū Hauora) from Manatū Hauora on 9 February 2024. You have asked for information regarding:

1. How many individuals with FACS, or the respective individual syndromes, have been allocated a risk of harm, or severity assessment code which has been reported; and
2. What has happened to these reports?

Te Tāhū Hauora has partially completed your request below. We have transferred the remainder of your request to the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) under section 14(b)(i) of the Official Information Act to respond regarding risk of harm reports.

How many individuals with FACS, or the respective individual syndromes, have been allocated a risk of harm, or severity assessment code which has been reported?

Following a search of the Te Tāhū Hauora adverse events database, I can inform you that our organisation does not have records of any severity assessment code (SAC) events for FACS.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact us at info@hqsc.govt.nz. If you would like to add any additional information relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that this can be included.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Tāhū Hauora publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address, or contact details.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Raoul Sarup". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Raoul Sarup
Official information advisor
Te Tāhū Hauora Health Quality & Safety Commission

