

**Official Information Programme 2022:  
Forums and New Practitioners Sessions**  
(Note: dates are correct at the time of publishing but subject to change)

**Official Information Forums**

Wednesday 28 March 2022, 1.30pm-3.30pm	<b>Venue:</b> Teams
<p><b>Impact of Covid on official information functions</b></p> <p>Covid has had, and will continue to have, an impact on us all, personally and professionally.</p> <p>We'll discuss aspects of the impact on agencies' official information functions, and possible mitigations, including workforce capacity, working arrangements and working with requesters and the Office of the Ombudsman.</p> <p><b>OIA Statistics to December 2021</b></p> <p>An overview of the latest OIA statistics released on 10 March 2022, for the period covering July-December 2021.</p> <p>Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission</p>	
Wed 8 June 2022, 1.00pm-3.00pm	<b>Venue:</b> Teams
<p><b>Processing complex requests - panel discussion</b></p> <p>Representatives from agencies will talk about how they manage processing complex requests within their agencies, and the processes and internal discussions around this, notifying versus consulting, followed by a Q&amp;A.</p>	
Mon 21 November 2022, 1.30pm-3.15pm	<b>Venue:</b> Teams
<p><b>Overview of OIA statistics to June 2022, including the new measures</b></p> <p>Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission</p> <p><b>Panel discussion: Findings from the Chief Ombudsman's report <i>Ready or Not?</i></b></p> <p>Panellists TBC</p> <p><b>Covid: Reflections on working with the public and Ministry staff at a time of significant pace, pressure and change</b></p> <p>Ministry of Health</p> <p><b>Forum topics and format for 2023</b></p> <p>Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission</p>	

**New OIA Practitioners sessions**

Wed 4 May 2022, 1pm-3pm	<b>Venue:</b> Teams
Tue 2 August 2022, 1.30pm-3.30pm	<b>Venue:</b> Teams
Wed 19 October 2022, 1pm-3pm	<b>Venue:</b> Teams
<p><b>OIA New Practitioners seminars – guide to resources and networks, panel discussion</b></p> <p>Office of the Ombudsman and Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission</p>	