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By email:   
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Tēnā koe Anna

### Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 14 October 2023 for the information regarding the pharmaceutical industry. You requested:

*“What are the top 5 pharmaceutical companies that give funding to Medsafe?”*

Please see in the table below the top five pharmaceutical companies that have given funding to Medsafe.

#	Name of the pharmaceutical company
1	Pharmacy Retailing (NZ) Ltd t/a Healthcare Logistics
2	Novartis New Zealand Ltd
3	Viatris Limited
4	Pfizer New Zealand Limited
5	AFT Pharmaceuticals Ltd

It's important to note that regarding the Medicine Regulations 1984 its functions in relation to this legislation are funded from a mixture of Crown funding and third-party revenue collected from fees set under the Medicines Act 1981.

The Medicines Act provides for charging fees in relation to applications for licences and for the approval of new and changed medicines, new and changed-related products, and clinical trials. The schedule of fees payable is contained in regulation 61 of the Medicines Regulations 1984.

The current fees for Medsafe can be found at: [www.medsafe.govt.nz/regulatory/fees.asp](http://www.medsafe.govt.nz/regulatory/fees.asp).

I trust this information fulfils your request. Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: [www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests](http://www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests).

Nāku noa, nā



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