

COVID-19 CODING ADVICE FROM THE MoH

The MoH last updated its Covid-19 coding advice on 30th June <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-resources-health-professionals/recording-covid-19>

The codes below should be used to record details of COVID-19 in the affected patient's health record and the MoH encourage the use of these codes to build knowledge of the virus. Medtech32, Medtech Evolution, Intrahealth Profile, MyPractice and Best Practice Software systems should be configured to use their respective code sets.

Concept	SNOMED CT code	Medtech code	Profile code	ICD-10-AM
Confirmed COVID-19	840539006	@MT0.02	COVID19-1	U07.1
Probable COVID-19	50881000210106	@MT0.04		U07.2
Meets clinical and higher index of suspicion criteria	840544004	@MT0.03	COVID19-2	Z03.8

Confirmed Covid-19 = positive swab test

Probable Covid-19 = high clinical suspicion +/- awaiting swab result

Meets clinical and higher index of suspicion criteria = Symptoms + HIS criteria

COVID-19 TESTING ADVICE

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New patient information sheets available

New patient information sheets have been added to [HealthPathways COVID-19 Information](#):

- Information for people who are being tested for COVID-19 because they have symptoms (for people who do meet the HIS criteria)
- Information for people who present for testing for COVID-19 but have mild symptoms, and very low risk of COVID-19 (for people who self-present with mild symptoms but no HIS criteria to help them to decide on having a test)
- Information for people who are being tested for COVID-19 because they have symptoms, but very low risk of COVID-19 (for people who do not meet the HIS criteria who are tested)
- COVID-19 testing: Information for people who do not have COVID-19 symptoms

The new information sheets are on the COVID-19 Information HealthPathway under Local Guidance > Resources for CBACs.

For any questions or feedback please contact stuart.jenkins@waitematadhb.govt.nz

TEMPORARY CHANGES TO CBAC TESTING CENTRES ON 11th AND 12th JULY 2020

Two CBAC testing centres are closing for a day over the weekend (11 and 12 July). The centres are:

- The Whanau Ora Community Clinic is closed for the day on Saturday 11 July
- Whanau House, Henderson is closed for the day on Sunday 12 July

Please find attached updated opening hours information. [Metro Auckland CBAC opening hours - 9 July.pdf](#)

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UPDATED: COVID-19 TESTING ADVICE

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Request for testing at General Practice following guest leaving managed isolation facility 7 July

As you will be aware from media reporting an incident that took place in the Auckland CBD on Wednesday evening where a man left a managed isolation facility and visited a Countdown supermarket.

He had been tested for COVID-19 (his day 3 isolation test) and the result came through as positive.

The infectious diseases specialists advise that the lab results show it is highly unlikely he was infectious – they are consistent with someone who has recovered from a COVID-19 infection.

Although the risk to the public has been evaluated as low, we have provided information on testing and the attached voucher for surveillance testing to Countdown workers. Please test anyone who presents with this voucher.

You may have other anxious members of the public requesting a COVID-19 test. Please also test these people and record SURV-COUNT on the laboratory testing form and in the Referral Details section of the e-notification. If you do this test in Primary Care check 'Full' and 'Swab' with SURV-COUNT on e-notification, funding \$120.

A reminder that for the purposes of testing, **any referral from Healthline** can be considered "advice from a clinician" and the person **should be swabbed**.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH MONTHLY DISPENSING?

In March, 2020, [PHARMAC announced](#) that medicines should be dispensed monthly (or three-monthly for oral contraceptives) due to concerns about the supply chain during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Currently, no date has been set for a return to three monthly stat dispensing, however, work is progressing towards this goal and PHARMAC will give at least three weeks' notice of any change. Due to ongoing global issues affecting manufacturing and supply it is likely that some medicines will need to continue to be dispensed monthly; it is anticipated that these supply issues may continue for the rest of 2020 and even beyond.

If necessary, pharmacists may still make exceptions to the current monthly dispensing requirements, based on rule 4.4.2 of the Pharmaceutical Schedule, e.g. for people who have mobility issues, live in rural areas, are older or are immunocompromised.

FACT 1 and FACT 2 COURSES ONLINE + PODCAST "Why Stress is Good for You and How"

Please see information and links below:

1. FACT 1 course online by Prof Bruce Arroll on Friday 10th July cost \$100
<https://www.grow.co.nz/page/online-fact-workshop/>
2. FACT 2 course online by Prof Bruce Arroll on Friday 24th July cost \$100
<https://event-fact2-july.lilregie.com/booking/attendees/new>
3. How to use stress for your own benefit-Kelly McGonigal radio NZ June 2020 podcast
<https://www.rnz.co.nz/national/programmes/sunday/audio/2018752574/how-to-use-stress-for-your-own-benefit>

Ted talk by Kelly McGonigal

https://www.ted.com/talks/kelly_mcgonigal_how_to_make_stress_your_friend/discussion?nolanguage=en.Kelly+McGonigal%3A+Controlling+Our+WillpowerWe#t-858836

CPR TRAINING

Sessions are offered free of charge to our practice teams on:

Level 3

Date: Wednesday, 22 July 2020

Time: 6.30 - 8.30pm

Level 4 (full)

Date: Wednesday, 29 July 2020

Time: 6pm - 8.30pm

Level 5

Date: Wednesday, 5 August 2020

Time: 6pm - 9pm

Venue: Auckland PHO, Level 4, 210 Khyber Pass Road, Grafton

RSVP: to priscilla@aucklandpho.co.nz

LABTESTS - LABORATORY UPDATE

Please follow this [link](#) to view the latest labtests update:

- Home Visits Criteria and Process

WOUND CARE WORKSHOP FOR RNS/ENS

Date: 11th August 2020

Time: 9am – 1.30pm

Venue: Waitakere conference room, Waitakere Hospital

Topics:

- Innovations in wound care – biofilm based wound care management
- Palliative wound care management
- How to take a swab, a refresher, changes and why

Pantry wound care

RSVP to Sasha.mckinlay@waitematadhb.govt.nz

For more information, please see attached flyer.

NEXT-GENERATION SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING

A workshop for health professionals and community workers focused on keeping clients safe, supported by the Goodfellow Unit.

This 3-hour workshop is presented by SafeSide Prevention. SafeSide is a framework for recovery-oriented suicide prevention that lifts our sights beyond merely 'keeping clients safe' toward a vision of evidence-based care that is truly connected with a client's needs, experiences, and growth potential.

SafeSide is an evidence-based workshop that addresses common dilemmas, demands, and rewards of supporting individuals at risk for suicide. With a focus on a prevention-oriented risk formulation that helps reduce your risk of complaints and helps improve patient outcomes.

Every interactive SafeSide workshop is co-led by its founder Dr. Anthony Pisani, internationally recognised leader in suicide prevention education and workforce development, and Kristina Mossgraber, patient advocate and lived experience consultant.

Who Should Attend

This workshop is for clinicians who work in primary care, nurses and training managers in health, behavioural health, and youth services settings.

Online Webinar Workshop

Date: Saturday, 29 August 2020

Time: 8.30 am – 11.45 am NZST

RSVP: [click here](#)



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