

PRIMARY CARE MOVE BACK TO ALERT LEVEL GREEN – SPECIFIC IMPLICATIONS

On 18th November Primary Care returned to Alert level green of the [COVID-19 Primary Care Alert Response Framework](#), however General Practices must continue to:

- maintain red and green streaming
- encourage the use of medical grade masks for all staff and patients including hand sanitisation before the mask is worn for all clinical interactions.
- continue to follow [IPC/PPE guidance](#)
- use of FULL PPE for any COVID-19 testing

COVID-19 TESTS REQUIRED FOR PRE-DEPARTURE TRAVELLERS

Please [follow this link](#) to view the latest laboratory update.

This contains:

- pre-departure COVID-19 tests turnaround times
- pre-departure COVID-19 request form information
- delivery of pre-departure COVID-19 swabs into the laboratory

To send feedback, please reply to this email, or email natalia.seekles@labtests.co.nz

IMPORTANT PPE SUPPLY CHAIN PROCESS CHANGES

In order to ensure each practice receives sufficient PPE for swabbing (and to avoid over supply) the MoH is enabling a portal for general practices to set up an account for direct PPE orders -from the MoH through OneLink

The MoH anticipate this new ordering system will be in place by the end of November 2020. **Further information on this process will be sent out to practices via MEDINZ later today.**

Until such time as the MoH PPE ordering portal is live, Auckland PHO **will continue to provide your PPE requirements free of charge.**

Complete the Auckland PHO PPE requirements order form and email to priscilla@aucklandpho.co.nz or faxing to 379 4024

GENERAL PRACTICE PANDEMIC CHECKLIST

A checklist has been developed by Auckland PHO to support general practices to manage their practice processes during this challenging time. It is aligned with the Primary Care Alert Response Framework developed for the Auckland Region, and can be found on the [COVID-19 Primary Care Alert Response Framework HealthPathway](#) OR in a word document on the Auckland PHO information Library [Click here for the Checklist](#)

NEW ZEALAND MEDICAL JOURNAL

Read the latest medical research including editorial on ethnic inequity in diabetes outcomes, articles on feasibility of a hepatitis C screening programme in pharmacies, pregnant women's knowledge of and adherence to Food Safety Guidelines, and a number of research letters..

Read the latest issue Vol 133 No 1525: [20 November 2020](#)

Login: Barbara@aucklandpho.co.nz

Password: Yellow2020

FREE COLLABORATIVE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS CREDENTIALING PROGRAMME FOR PRACTICE NURSES

Practice Nurses are often the first point of contact for people with mental ill health and substance use issues. Build your mental health kete and enhance your practise by enrolling in the following, that involves:

- **Five in person study days + online learning:** 18th Feb, 18th March, 15th April, 6th May, 27th May (Ko Awatea, Middlemore Hospital)
- Practice development support (five small group supervision sessions between study days)
- Ongoing reflective practice with support
- Recognition of enhanced practice by professional body (Te Ao Māramatanga New Zealand College of Mental Health Nurses)

For more information or to enrol, please contact Jacqui Hampton on 021 811 882 or

jhampton@comprehensivecare.co.nz

LOGIN DETAILS FOR AUCKLAND REGIONAL HEALTHPATHWAYS

Auckland Regional HealthPathways has recently been updated to be mobile-friendly. As a part of this update, there is a new website address which requires you **to re-enter the username and password details** when accessing the new site for the first time:

New website address:

<https://aucklandregion.communityhealthpathways.org>

Username: connected **Password:** healthcare

If you have any issues with accessing the new mobile site please contact Catherine.Turner@middlemore.co.nz

SITUATION VACANT: PRACTICE NURSE

Practice nurse wanted for Three Kings Family Medical Centre. 20hours per week, days and hours by arrangement. Please email ian@tkfmc.co.nz.

PSAAP WEBINAR INVITATION

General Practice Leaders Forum (GPLF) is hosting a webinar to run through the agenda for the upcoming PSAAP meeting. PSAAP stands for PHO Services Amendment Protocol and is the forum for negotiating funding and service changes.

Attendance is open to GPs, practice team members and owners

Please click the link below to Register for the Webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86380366044>

The webinar will be held on 24th November 6:30-7:30pm, in advance of the PSAAP meeting on the 25th November 2020

The Webinar will be chaired by Dr Mark Peterson, Provider representative and member of General Practice Leaders Forum

The agenda items for discussion are:

- Planned Care
- Gender Identification
- 2021 Budget bid
- Community Services Card utilisation
- Digital Enablement
- Other General Matters

The webinar is supported by GPNZ with support from our colleagues at the Health Care Home Collaborative.

Any questions, please contact Liz Stockley

Liz.Stockley@gpnz.org.nz

WEBINAR

Topic: **'ADOLESCENT AND PAEDIATRIC FOCUS: New changes in Asthma Guidelines 2020 (Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ)'**

Speaker: **Dr David McNamara**
Respiratory Paediatrician, Sleep Medicine Specialist, Starship Children's Hospital, Auckland

Date: **Wednesday, 25th November 2020**

Time: **6.30pm** (45 minutes presentation, 15 minutes questions (1 hour total))

This will be an interactive webinar, with the opportunity for Questions and Answers at the end.

REGISTER HERE:

<https://webstreamlive.com/astrazeneca/nz/251120/>

TOTARA HEALTH SERVICES CLINICAL SERIES - ADDICTION MANAGEMENT

Date: **Wednesday, 25th November 2020**

Time: 6.30pm – 8.00pm

Venue: Level 2, Meeting Room, Totara Health Services, 1 McCrae Way, New Lynn

Presenter: **Dr Vicki Macfarlane**

RSVP: [click here](#) and register before Wednesday, 18th November

PEER GROUP MEETINGS

TIGER GROUP

Date/Time: Tuesday, 1st December 2020 / 7pm - 9pm

DRAGON GROUP

Date/Time: Tuesday, 8th December 2020/ 7pm - 9pm

VIKAS GROUP

Date/Time: Monday, 14th December 2020 / 7pm - 9pm

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

RSVP: priscilla@aucklandpho.co.nz

CERVICAL SCREENING UPDATE WEBINAR

Below are links to the recorded webinar sessions from the Auckland and Waitematā DHB Cervical Screening Update in September.

This update is endorsed by NCSP and meets the requirements under standard 3.1.4 that sample takers must maintain competency in cervical screening through regular cervical screening and ongoing professional development activities.

Any feedback suggestions or questions are welcome – This update is also available on the DHB's Ko Awatea- e-learning site.

National Cervical Screening Programme Update 2020

Cervical Screening Guidelines Update with Dr Georgina McPherson: <https://youtu.be/4k6VsR8FoQw>

HPV self-testing with Dr Karen Bartholomew: https://youtu.be/Ast_52y_UQI

Cervical Screening Guidelines for Clinical Practice with Jane Grant: https://youtu.be/gCPGZ_hxYy4

At risk non-responders, a practice nurse's success story: <https://youtu.be/tqoOkBeWGf4>

For support or queries please contact:

ADHB and WDHB Cervical Screening Coordinator
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