

### EXTENDED CATCH-UP PROGRAMMES FOR MENACTRA AND ZOSTAVAX VACCINES

#### Menactra

The catch-up programme for one dose of Menactra for individuals aged 13–25 years inclusively in their second, third or more years living in a boarding school hostel, tertiary education halls of residence, military barrack, or prison, has been **EXTENDED TO 30 November 2021**.

#### Zostavax

The catch-up programme for people aged 66–80 years inclusively HAS been **EXTENDED TO 31 December 2021**.

#### Transition of ADT™ Booster to Boostrix®

PHARMAC has changed the earlier advice from the MoH regarding use of ADT Booster stock from 1 October 2020.

- Providers with remaining stock are required to stop using ADT Booster and dispose of stock appropriately by returning unused ADT Booster to ProPharma for destruction.
- Providers will not be able to claim an Immunisation Subsidy claim for use of ADT Booster for the 45-years or 65-years booster vaccination after 1 October 2020.
- There are no safety concerns regarding any ADT Booster vaccines doses administered from 1 October 2020.
- Delisting the vaccine is an administrative process associated with the change of funded vaccine to Boostrix.

### HEIGHTENED YOUTH SUICIDE CONTAGION RISK

A 15 year-old male Korean Auckland Grammar School student died by suspected suicide on Monday 11 January 2021.

The fast dissemination of this kind of news via social media adds to the risk of contagion and further suicide attempts by vulnerable young people.

Please keep this in mind during your daily dealings with patients of this demographic and follow normal referral processes to mental health services where appropriate.

For non-acute situations, consider using the Need to talk – free call or text 1737.

[Suicide Prevention in Youth](#) and [Youth Mental Health Counselling and Therapy](#)

### NEW ZEALAND MEDICAL JOURNAL

Read the latest medical research including [editorial on the cultural evolution of the Journal](#) and the new Māori byline, articles on the [cost of major infection and sepsis in New Zealand](#), [knowledge of driving restrictions following a stroke](#), and a [retrospective on calls to the NZ National Poisons Centre regarding Pacific patients](#).

Read the latest issue Vol 134 No 1528: [15 January 2021](#)  
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### CHANGES TO SURVEILLANCE COLONOSCOPY

The Ministry of Health has issued new national guidelines for surveillance colonoscopy.

While for some patients this will mean no change to their surveillance interval, some patients will now have a longer surveillance interval.

Other patients will no longer need recall and will, therefore, be removed from the surveillance colonoscopy lists. Patients will be advised of any changes by the relevant DHB.

For further information, please see the attached guidelines. Auckland Regional HealthPathways is in the process of being updated to include the new guidelines.

[Update on Polyp Surveillance Guidelines.pdf](#)

### DIABETES SELF-MANAGEMENT EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

**Date:** Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**Time:** 9.30am – 3.30pm

**Venue:** Avondale Community Centre, 99 Rosebank Road, Avondale, Auckland 1026

If you have any queries or require further information about DSME please contact [Saphiya@aucklandpho.co.nz](mailto:Saphiya@aucklandpho.co.nz)

### SEEKING PROVIDERS FOR UNDERGRADUATE SHORT TERM NURSING PLACEMENTS

Waitemata and Auckland DHB, Primary Health Care Nursing Development Team are seeking **Expressions of Interest from Primary Health Care providers** to offer short placements to undergraduate nurses across the region. These can vary from **3 - 5 weeks for PHC experience and/or 10 weeks for pre-registration placements**. Nurses in the pre-registration placements will have signaled a keen interest in primary health care work.

Please see attached for more details along with a form to submit by 10 February 2021.

### NZ WOUND CARE SOCIETY SATURDAY SESSION

NZ Wound Care Society is presenting a session on skin conditions, including incontinence related dermatitis, Eczema management and management of skin conditions. It is being held on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> February. Please see the attached flyer for more information, registration and cost.

### AUCKLAND DHB WOMEN'S HEALTH SERVICES OPEN EVENING FOR PRIMARY CARE

**Date:** Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

**Time:** 6.00pm – 8.30pm

**Venue:** The Fisher & Paykel Clinical Education Centre, Auckland City Hospital, Grafton

**Presenter:** Dr Orna McGinn, Dr Katherine McKenzie, Dr Lois Eva

**RSVP:** please [click here](#)

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