

The weekly newsletter of Auckland PHO provides details of events, meetings, clinical information and PHO Programmes to our Practices

### MESSAGE TO PRIMARY CARE RE: LOCATIONS OF INTEREST

As you will know, when there are community cases of COVID-19 the Ministry of Health announces any 'locations of interest' on its web site. These are places where the cases have visited while infectious and other people may have been exposed. The web site also contains information and advice for these people, appropriate to their exposure. As the advice often changes depending on the specific situation, we recommend that this web site is consulted to obtain the correct, up to date information for your patients if required.

The locations of interest and advice for others who were present are also loaded onto the Ministry's website, [here](#)

If a patient thinks they may have been at a location of interest within the time specified and asks for advice, please check this site in the first instance. It is regularly updated.

### BETTER HELP FOR SMOKERS TO QUIT - E-LEARNING GO LIVE

Providing smoking brief advice aims to reduce consumption and harmful effects of tobacco on patients.

The updated "ABC" training for smoking cessation has been released and is now live.

It is found under the title *Better help for smokers to quit e-learning* on the National Training Service website.

<https://nts.org.nz/online-abc-training>

The course is free, takes approximately 30 minutes to complete, with case scenarios and 14 easy multiple-choice questions with a certificate of completion provided at the end.

### SAFETY IN PRACTICE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST 2021-22

Safety in Practice (SIP) is a quality improvement programme providing tools and training to Primary care teams over 3 years. SIP assists with developing quality improvement skills, reducing preventable harm to patients, creating safer and more reliable systems as well as ensuring a culture of safety.

There are 4 learning sessions to attend annually, monthly audits to submit and a financial incentive.

A new clinical module on Hand hygiene is to be incorporated in the 2021- 2022 cohort.

Please register your expression of interest in the attached form (1) (closes on 30 April 2021) and more information can be found in attachment (2) and (3).

### HEART FOUNDATION HEALTH PROFESSIONAL NEWSLETTER

View [here](#)

### GPNZ PANUI

GPNZ is the National Organisation Auckland PHO and most other PHOs belong to. Their role is to advocate and support PHOs and Practices at a political level to ensure Primary Care is on the top of any agenda with the MoH, DHBs and the Govt. This includes the Primary Care funding model and contracts.

Their latest fortnightly newsletter can be found here: [GPNZ Panui 25 February 2021](#)

### NEW ZEALAND MEDICAL JOURNAL

Read the latest issue Vol 134 No 1530: [19 february 2021](#)

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### AGEING AND SPIRITUALITY WEBINAR

The Selwyn Foundation's Ageing & Spirituality Webinar (third in a series) for Doctors, Nurses, Allied Health and Social Services Professionals, and Clergy.

Date: Wed, 10 March 2021

Time: 7 - 9 PM

Cost: \$30+GST

For more information and to enrol click on:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/ageing-and-spirituality-webinar-tickets-141771892547>

### WDHB/ADHB CLINICAL SKILLS WORKSHOP DATES

WDHB is offering FREE clinical skills workshops for Primary Healthcare Nurses working in the WDHB and ADHB areas.

The topics include:

- The patient experience in PHC (Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May)
- Screening in PHC (Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September)

For more information, please see the attachment (4).

### VACANCY

**Avondale Family Doctor** is looking for a part time experienced Practice Nurse to start work in April. Please contact Avondale Family Doctor on 09 828 8410 or email CV to [reception@avondalefamilydoctor.co.nz](mailto:reception@avondalefamilydoctor.co.nz)

**Epsom Medical Care** is looking for a Practice Nurse to work two days a week (Tuesday and Wednesday). Please email Joanna Keane [pm@epsommed.nz](mailto:pm@epsommed.nz)

**Health Connections** is seeking a permanent part time Registered nurse or nurse prescriber and receptionist. Please send your CV to [pat@healthconnections.co.nz](mailto:pat@healthconnections.co.nz) Or apply on seek: [Receptionist](#) and [Registered Nurse](#)



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