

# COVID-19 staff update

26 August 2021

All of New Zealand remains in **Alert Level 4**, until 11.59pm Friday 27 August at least. Hauora Tairāwhiti will continue to operate under our Alert Level 4 plans

## Keeping safe at Alert Level 4

Being in Alert Level 4 means that we need to adjust our habits to keep ourselves and others safe, especially as health workers.

Have you got this list ticked?

- **Wear a face covering at all times** when you are at work. This may mean you need to take a face covering home with you, so you are wearing one as you arrive at work. Reusable or surgical masks are appropriate for this purpose.
- **Keep your DHB ID on you and visible.** While Alert Level 4 is in place and visiting restrictions are in place at Hauora Tairāwhiti, it's important that others can easily identify you.
- **Protect your home bubble.** There are a number of things we can do to keep the people in our bubbles safe. Avoid eating in communal spaces, and at the end of each day, wash your hands and arms, wipe your phone with a sanitising wipe and leave your pen behind at work. Check the Hauora Tairāwhiti intranet to find more advice about how you can protect those in your bubble in the COVID-19 'key messages' folder on the intranet.
- **Keeping 2 metres away from others.** Be mindful of how close you are to others outside your bubble. At Alert Level 4, make sure you keep a 2 metre physical distance from others outside your home.

## We need you

- If you can't do your normal job at the moment, our COVID-19 Response team need you.
- This applies to staff who are vulnerable and staff who have capacity at the moment.
- Please contact People and Development [pad@tdh.org.nz](mailto:pad@tdh.org.nz)

## Fit testing

- PPE training and fit testing will be ongoing for staff who require this.
- Groups that require fit testing will be prioritised based on the risk level associated with the type of task they undertake.
- Contact your manager or team leader for more information, or send your queries to the dedicated email address: [fit.testing@tdh.org.nz](mailto:fit.testing@tdh.org.nz)

You can find these updates on the Hauora Tairāwhiti website on the COVID-19 page.

Questions about Hauora Tairāwhiti's response to COVID-19?

We are collecting **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

Send your query to: [incidentcontrol@tdh.org.nz](mailto:incidentcontrol@tdh.org.nz)

