



# TOITU TAIRĀWHITI

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## PANUI

**24 AKUHATA 2021**

Tena tatou,

The coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) has spread quickly around the world, causing COVID-19 a serious disease which has resulted in the deaths of over 4 million people. To protect those we love, Aotearoa New Zealand went into lockdown. We also introduced Alert Levels, managed borders, contact tracing and started sanitising our hands and wearing face coverings to stay safe.

Getting vaccinated is the next step to gain more protection against the virus, which will lead to more certainty for the future.

It is good to see increases in the numbers of people being vaccinated across Tairāwhiti and the responsiveness of health providers across Tairāwhiti working tirelessly to vaccinate as many eligible whānau members as possible within the nine-hour window, that daily clinics provide. However, despite these best efforts our vaccination numbers are still too low, with only **10,278** fully vaccinated.

We need to do more to inform and encourage our whānau to get vaccinated. Toitu Tairāwhiti will be rolling out a refreshed vaccination campaign, targeting 12 – 15-year-olds and 16- 40-year-olds and we need everyone's help to get the message out and to get whānau along to the vaccine clinics. We realise that for a number of our whānau, their receptiveness to the message is strongly aligned to who the messenger is. So, we need a team of 'messengers who connect and resonate with rangatahi, and, and whānau, who generally feel disconnected, to step up and start ringing, texting, messaging and using other social media platforms to spread the word.

Making personal contact with whānau via social media, in the safety of your own home is a minimal-fuss activity that we can all do, it doesn't cost money just a bit of your time. Below are some of the other key messages that we want people to promote, when encouraging their whānau to get vaccinated.

1. *Stay within your immediate household bubble. Extended bubbles are allowed where there is shared care and custody arrangements or if you live alone. Once you go into a bubble you must stay in it and others cannot join.*
2. *If you feel unwell you must immediately self-isolate from others in your bubble and call your doctor or Healthline on 0800 358 5453 about getting tested.*
3. *Wear a face covering and keep 2m apart from other people at all times while in public. This includes when undertaking physical exercise in your neighbourhood, visiting the supermarket or pharmacy, service stations and other businesses, urgent medical care or getting a test.*
4. *Keep on scanning QR codes wherever you go.*
5. *Wash and sanitise hands often, especially when you've been outside your bubble.*



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Summary		
New cases reported during the past 24 hours		42
Active case	At the border	35
	In the community	148
	Under investigation/other	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>
Most recent case reported		24 August 2021
Most recent case reported due to community transmission (spread within our communities)		24 August 2021
All case outcomes since first New Zealand case		
COVID-19 cases	Change in last 24 hours	Total
Active	29	183
Recovered	13	2887

Source of active cases	Change in last 24 hours	
	Change in last 24 hours	Total at present
People who travelled internationally and were diagnosed in managed facilities at the border	-11	35
People in close contact with someone who caught COVID-19 while overseas	0	0
Caught COVID-19 from someone locally	33	69
Caught COVID-19 within NZ, but source is unknown	1	2
Under investigation	6	77



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## Iwi Update.

Toitu Tairawhiti representatives reconvened our Tairawhiti Hapu/ Hapori hub leads, Hauora providers and front-line iwi Trust staff to identify hapu and Hapori needs and discuss plans for coordinating support and services if we remain at Alert Level 4 for an extended period.

We were also able to share update on conversations with Rau Tipu Ora Rau (Tairawhiti COVID Response & Recovery Leadership group), MSD acting Regional Commissioner, local CDEM Controller and Tairawhiti District Police Commander Police, regarding food, hygiene, emergency relief supplies and financial assistance for whanau impacted by COVID-19.

The Toitu Tairawhiti CEs are finalising plans for worst-case, best-case scenario's and coordinating and recalibrating their 2021 COVID-19 response efforts, including an outreach program for our iwi members living away from home, wa Kainga.

Turanga Health working with Hauora Tairawhiti is looking at establishing a 'drive-in' vaccine clinic in Turanga and Ngati Porou Hauora will recommence their mobile vaccine clinics on the Coast, starting in Matakaoa on Monday 30 August.

### UPCOMING NGATI POROU HAUORA VACCINATION CLINICS

Walk ins are welcome or, you can also call for an appointment on (06) 864 6803 or call any of the rural clinics directly. Vaccinations are now available to 12-15-year-olds accompanied by their parent.

Dates	Location	Time	Phone
Mon 30 August	Matakaoa Clinic	9am – 12.30pm & 2.pm – 5.30pm	(06) 864 4801
Tues 31 August	Uawa Clinic	9am – 12.30pm & 2.pm – 5.30pm	(06) 862 6650
Wed 1 Sept	Ruatoria Clinic	9am – 12.30pm & 2.pm – 5.30pm	(06) 864 8316
Thurs 2 Sept	Tokomaru Senior Citizens	9am – 12.30pm & 2.pm – 5.30pm	(06) 864 6803
Fri 3 Sept	Te Puia Springs Hospital	9am – 12.30pm & 2.pm – 5.30pm	(06) 864 6803
Mon 30 Aug- Fri 3 Sept	TE TINI O POROU Cnr Huxley & Tyndall Roads, Turanga	9am – 5:30pm	
Mon 6 Sept – Fri 10 Sept	TE TINI O POROU Cnr Huxley & Tyndall Roads, Turanga	9am – 5:30pm	



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## Regional Update

**There are no confirmed COVID-19 cases in Tairawhiti.**

Any new positive cases of COVID-19 in New Zealand are announced by Director General of Health Dr Ashley Bloomfield in his daily 1pm media conference. If there was a positive case in Tairawhiti, Hauora Tairawhiti would have notified the public on their Facebook page and website.

Remember to check the expanding list of locations of interest on the Ministry of Health website: [bit.ly/NZPlacesOfInterest](https://bit.ly/NZPlacesOfInterest)

If you have visited one of these locations at the relevant time and develop any COVID-19 symptoms, it's important that you register with Healthline or our Health Protection Team and follow the advice for self-isolating and getting tested. Phone Healthline on 0800 358 5453 or phone 06 869 0500 to speak with a Health Protection Officer. [#weareallinthisogether](https://www.facebook.com/weareallinthisogether)

## COVID-19 Vaccinations

Getting vaccinated against COVID-19

Unite against COVID-19

### *Vaccination rollout progress in Tairawhiti as of 24 August*

Total Doses -	<b>29,766</b>
First Doses	<b>19,480</b>
Second Doses	<b>10,278</b>

## Vaccinate

COVID-19 vaccinations are free for everyone in Aotearoa. You can get the vaccine if you're aged 12 yrs. and older. There is now a 6-week period between the first and second jab. It is important to note that even a fully vaccinated and symptom free person who has been in contact with a person infected with the Delta variant may also transmit the virus to other people.

## WEDNESDAY UPDATE ON VACCINATION CLINICS

All clinics are open to ALL please come along to one of the 3 service providers, no appointment required. If you have children 12+ bring them with you Remember your mask, 2m distance, scanning QR codes and good hand hygiene.



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## Vaccination Clinic Update

Wednesday 25th August 2021

### Operating Under Alert Level 4

Please note that clinic details are subject to change & these changes can occur daily or hourly.

### Hauora Tairawhiti

- Wednesday 25 - 28 August, Poutama Clinic - 9am to 5pm, behind the Gisborne Hospital  
This clinic is for **BOOKED** appointments & walks-ins. No appointment required.

### Ngati Porou Hauora

- Wednesday 25 - Friday 27 August - 9am to 6pm, Te Tini o Porou – cnr Huxley & Tyndall Road (Kaiti)  
This clinic is available to all walk-ins. No appointment required.

### Turanga Health

- Wednesday 25 - 27 August - 9am to 4pm, Harriers Club - 91 Innes St  
This clinic is available to **Frontline, Essential Workers & walk-ins**. No appointment required.

### Turanga Health - Rural Clinics (Note time change for clinics)

- Friday 27 & Saturday 28 August - Fri 10am to 3pm, Sat 10am to 3pm  
Te Karaka - Rangatira Scout Hall
- Sunday 29 August - 10am to 3pm, Whatatutu - Mangatu Marae
- Tuesday 31 August - 10pm to 3pm, Waihirere - Parihimanihi Marae  
These clinics are available to all walk-ins. No appointment required

### Child Vaccinations

- We can vaccinate children aged 12+ when they come with a parent or caregiver

Clinic details are being updated each day – please visit [www.hauoratairawhiti.org.nz](http://www.hauoratairawhiti.org.nz)



**Hauora**  
Tairāwhiti



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## National Update

### Education at Alert Level 4

At Alert Level 4, all education facilities are closed. This includes:

- early learning services
- schools
- kura
- tertiary education providers and whare wānanga

All students must learn from home. Your child's school will contact you directly about organising learning materials and devices to be delivered to your home.

Tertiary accommodation can remain open. If you normally live-in student accommodation, but you travelled home to stay with friends or whānau during Alert Level 4, you cannot return to your student accommodation until Alert Level 4 restrictions are lifted.

### Childcare services for Alert Level 4 workers

If you are working for an Alert Level 4 business or service and you cannot work from home and you have no available options for childcare, you can extend your household bubble to include a carer for your children.

The carer can leave their home to provide childcare for your children. The carer cannot join another household bubble.

### If you do not have available childcare

Alert Level 4 workers who have children aged up to 13 years old can access free care, so they are able to continue to provide the services we need at Alert Level 4. The scheme is for workers in Alert Level 4 businesses and services, and other exempted services such as fire and emergency and border workers.

You can get free childcare if you do not have childcare in place — you are expected to use your own private arrangements where possible.

### When to stay home

All tamariki (children), young people, and ākongā (students) should stay home if they are unwell. If you or your child develops cold or flu symptoms, call your doctor or Healthline for advice.

If you or your child are told to self-isolate, you legally must do so immediately.

If you or your child are asked to get a COVID-19 test, please get one. COVID-19 tests are free for everyone, including international students. By getting a test you are helping keep everyone safe.

### Face coverings

Tamariki (children), young people and teachers do not need to wear face coverings at:

- schools
- early learning centres, or
- on school transport.



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- Children and staff may wear face coverings at school if they choose to.
- Tamariki (children) and ākonga (students) who are over 12 years old legally must wear a face covering on public transport.
- People with certain health or medical conditions do not have to wear face coverings.

## Financial support for students

- If you are an ākonga (student) who is struggling financially, you may be able to ask StudyLink for help.

## Emergency Benefit for temporary visa holders

- If you are an international student, you may be able to apply for the Emergency Benefit. The Emergency Benefit is a weekly payment to help pay for basic living costs while you arrange to get home as soon as you can.
- You can apply for the Emergency Benefit until 31 August 2021.

## Financial help to buy food

- If you need financial help to buy food, Work and Income may be able to help. Visit the Work and Income website for urgent financial support and ongoing needs.
- You can apply for a main benefit online and check your eligibility for food assistance.
- You can also use the COVID-19 financial support tool on the Unite Against COVID-19 website to see what support is available to you.

## The more we scan the safer we will be.

### NZ COVID Tracer app

- The NZ COVID Tracer app does 4 important things:
- scans QR codes to create a record of the places you visit
- keeps a record of the people you have been near using Bluetooth tracing
- keeps your contact details so contact tracers can get in touch with you if they need to
- keeps your National Health Index (NHI) number to speed up the process if you need a COVID-19 test.

### Scans QR codes to create a record of the places you visit.

- A QR code looks like a square black and white picture. The app can read the picture like words. All places will have a QR code poster, at the front door of their building or on the counter as you walk in.
- You will get a message on your mobile phone if you visited the same place at around the same time as someone who later tests positive for COVID-19. A positive COVID-19 test means a person has the COVID-19 virus.
- The message you get will tell you what you need to do to stop the spread of COVID-19. Scanning QR codes keeps us 1 step ahead of the virus.

### How to scan QR codes: To scan a QR code with the camera on your mobile phone:

- Open the NZ COVID Tracer app.



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- Hold your mobile phone up to the QR code poster.
- Make sure the QR code fits inside the box on your mobile phone screen
- When the QR code has been read.
  - your phone will wobble
  - a green tick will show.
  - Tap on the text box if you want to add any more information such as who you were with or what you were doing
  - Tap Finish or Okay to close the screen.
  - You do not need to scan the QR code when you leave the place you are visiting.
  - If your mobile phone does not scan the QR code, you can do a manual diary entry.

## **Manual Diary entry**

A manual diary entry means you type into the COVID Tracer app the name of the place you are visiting and the time you are visiting that place.

## **Keep a record of the people you have been near using Bluetooth tracing**

Bluetooth tracing lets you know if you have been near someone whose test says they have COVID-19. Bluetooth tracing is not the same as scanning the QR Codes. You still need to scan QR codes to record, the places you visit, when you visit these places. Bluetooth tracing records the people you have been near. You do not have to open the NZ Tracer app for Bluetooth tracing to work. All your information is private

**KIA MATAARA, KIA MANAWANUI**