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PANUI

26 AKUHATA 2021

Vaccinate, Be a Doer, Karawhuia

Tena tatou,

There are 68 new cases of COVID-19 in Aotearoa today. This brings the total number of cases in the community outbreak to 277. The total number of community cases in Auckland is now 263 and 14 in Wellington, but the rest of the country currently remains untouched. The two new Wellington cases are household contacts of a current case and were in isolation during their infectious period.

There are 154 cases to date which are epi-linked, and a further 123 for which links are yet to be established. There is one new case in a recent returnee in a managed isolation facility.

While Covid-19 case numbers are still rising in Aotearoa, the Prime Minister and Health Officials believe the lockdown is having an impact in the fight against the Delta variant outbreak. They believe that if the country was not in lockdown, COVID cases would have spread further and the number of locations of interest, would be growing at the same rate as case numbers. This is not happening because people are staying at home. Of the 494 locations of interests identified, only 13 have had cases transmitted

But with more than 20,000 contacts identified in connection to the outbreak and almost 500 [potential exposure sites](#), data modelling suggests [case numbers will continue to swell](#) - with the outbreak possibly ballooning to around 1000. Director-General of Health Ashley Bloomfield said, 'the peak of the outbreak is still pending'

Experts have consistently advised that numbers will continue to climb before the effects of lockdown make a visible dent, with cases gradually beginning to level out before tailing off - a pattern referred to as [flattening the curve](#).

These are all promising signs; however, we need to remain vigilant, especially with the Delta variant because people become infectious much sooner and they appear to give it to a lot more people.

"It is important to realise that every single one of us has a role to play in flattening the curve. Doctors need to identify and test possible cases quickly and place them in strict isolation, so they can't infect others. Public health authorities need to identify close contacts of cases and place them into strict quarantine to limit possible spread. Physical distancing measures like cancelling sporting



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events, concerts and other large gatherings can also help to slow transmission of the virus," says the [World Health Organization's official advice](#).

Dr Bloomfield said 'health officials are hopeful that a downturn in case numbers will be seen over the coming days., hopefully by Friday or Saturday. He said, the alert level 4 restrictions really start to kick in then, even though this is Delta - and we've seen a large number of cases just showing how quickly this variant does transmit through the community."

The Prime Minister said, "Delta has changed the rules of the game and that's why we need to change our game plan. She said, "that if we want to avoid lockdowns then we need to get vaccinated". Yesterday, 87,772 people were vaccinated, the highest daily uptake to date.

The message is simple, if you don't want to be locked into AL4 and AL3, then vaccinate, minimise your contact with others and restrict movements out of your bubble.

COVID CASES SUMMARY

Summary		
New cases reported during the past 24 hours	68	
Active cases	At the border	37
	In the community	277
	Under investigation/other	0
	Total	314
Most recent case reported	26 August 2021	
Most recent case reported due to community transmission (spread within our communities)	26 August 2021	



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All case outcomes since first New Zealand case

COVID-19 cases	Change in last 24 hours	Total
Active	68	314
Recovered	0	2887
Deceased	0	26

Source of active cases

	Change in last 24 hours	Total at present
People who travelled internationally and were diagnosed in managed facilities at the border	1	37
People in close contact with someone who caught COVID-19 while overseas	0	0
Caught COVID-19 from someone locally	89	212
Caught COVID-19 within NZ, but source is unknown	-1	2
Under investigation	-21	63



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Iwi Update.

Promoting Vaccination

Keep Te Tairawhiti Safe – Vaccinate initiative kicked off today for both iwi providers -Turanga Health & Ngati Porou Hauora. The announcement of today's winner will be drawn live on radio Turanga FM tomorrow 9.30am. See attachment.

Turanga Health vaccination clinic - **Whanau Selfie Competition** also kicked off today with today's winner announced the Turanga Health v Facebook page.

Turanga FM has launched its Parakuihi online show and has a **Toitu - Covid19 segment** if you have not seen it yet go to Facebook – **TurangaFm Media**.

Friday 27 August will be the last day that Turanga Health will be running its vaccination clinics from the Harriers Club. The Turanga Health team will shift their efforts to the Western Rural Communities

Ngati Porou Hauora will continue to run clinics from Te Tini o Porou next week and commence daily vaccination clinics on the Coast, for the next three week.

Another good example of vaccination promotional collateral is the Hinerupe pro vaccination ad, produced by Fiona Kupenga and Amokura. We have received a lot of positive feedback on the ad which is screening on TVNZ and Maori Television.

Vaccination Clinics

Turanga Health – Vaccination Clinics

Dates	Location	Time	Notes
Fri 27th Sat 28th August	Rangatira Scout Hall Te Karaka	10am-3pm 10am-3pm	Walk-ins No appointment required
Sun 29 August	Whatatutu - venue TBC	10am to 3pm	Walk-ins No appointment required
Tues 31st August	Parihimanihi Marae Waihirere	10am-6pm	Walk-ins No appointment required

Ngati Porou Hauora Vaccination Clinics

Dates	Location	Time	Notes
Fri 27 August	Te Tini o Porou	9am – 6pm	No appointment required
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



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Dates	Location	Time	Phone
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 Huxley & Tyndall Roads, Turanga	9am – 5:30pm	

Regional Update

There are no confirmed COVID-19 cases in Tairawhiti.

Our current vaccination situation as of 26th August 2021



Vaccinations completed:

31,897 total doses
21,018 first doses
10,879 second doses

Total vaccinations today:

860 Numbers are reducing

MILESTONE - Broke the 50% mark yesterday for Domicile Coverage

Breakdown of Vaccination coverage for Tairawhiti.

- 26% of over 12 population both doses
- 24% have received 1
- **50%** of population have received at least one dose.

Maori Vaccination rates

- 19% both doses
- 19% first dose
- **38%** at least one dose

Pacific Vaccination rates

- 22% both doses
- 29% first dose
- **51%** at least one dose



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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



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Business

Trust Tairawhiti will be providing regular updates on Tairawhiti Businesses in the Toitu Tairawhiti Panui. The Trust has launched an on-line survey, which we are encouraging our whanau and local businesses to complete.

Survey: Impact of August 2021 COVID-19 lockdown on Tairawhiti Businesses

Trust Tairawhiti has launched an online survey to capture the impacts this current COVID-19 lockdown is having on local business owners and operators.

Understanding the effects the current COVID-19 lockdown is having on Tairawhiti businesses is necessary to provide valuable insights to those making decisions for our region.

The survey takes less than 5 minutes to complete and in doing so, you will help Trust Tairawhiti to understand the impact of this COVID-19 lockdown compared to the 2020 COVID-19 lockdown and what is needed most for your business to recover and get back to business as usual when the Alert Level drops.

National Update

Vaccination Rates

First dose administered	Second dose administered
1,076,761	1,945,595

Total Vaccinations

	Vaccinations yesterday	Cumulative total	Cumulative doses per 1000 people
First dose administered	61,755	1,945,595	462
Second dose administered	26,217	1,076,761	256
Total doses administered	87,972	3,022,357	718



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Cumulative vaccinations by ethnicity

Ethnicity *	First dose administered	First doses per 1000 people	Second dose administered	Second doses per 1000 people
Māori	174,224	305	98,221	172
Pacific Peoples	113,340	395	66,384	232
Asian	316,180	528	164,654	275
European / Other	1,324,240	485	738,545	270
Unknown	17,611	805	8,957	409
Total	1,945,595	462	1,076,761	256

The prioritised ethnicity classification system allocates each person to a single ethnic group, based on the ethnic groups they identify with. Where people identify with more than one group, they are assigned in this order of priority: Māori, Pacific Peoples, Asian, and European/Other. So, if a person identifies as being Māori and New Zealand European, the person is counted as Māori.

Elimination Strategy

The Strategic Covid-19 Public Health Advisory Group, has recommended a sped-up vaccine plan that they believe will hasten our reconnection with the world amid the pandemic. The sped-up vaccine plan recommends that;

1. Everyone will be eligible for the Covid-19 vaccine from September 1
2. The gap between doses will be doubled to six weeks, The move to a six-week period between doses, means more people can get their first dose quicker and will ensure everybody is at least partially vaccinated in the coming months.

Other measures that could be included, is investigating whether people who are in New Zealand and get Covid-19 should isolate at home rather than in MIQ facilities.

Education

Two-week delay for NCEA and Scholarship Exams

The Education Ministry told schools overnight that exams would start on Monday 22 November and finish on Friday 14 December, two weeks later than the original schedule in recognition of the disruption caused by the alert level 4 lockdown.

The Ministry said, that over the last week, community cases of Covid-19's Delta variant had caused disruption to thousands of secondary school students around New Zealand and is adding to students' anxiety. Therefore, that have decided to change dates and processes around some assessments - including end of year exams and portfolio submissions. The Ministry also indicated



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further changes might be made such as reintroducing Learning Recognition Credits, once it was clearer how long the lockdown would last.

The Secondary Principals' Association president said the decision was especially helpful for students who were working on portfolios for art and technology subjects, and it was good that the Ministry had made the decision more quickly than last year and got the information out to people fairly promptly."

The education sector does not expect the exams to be delayed any further than two weeks because they would run too close to the Christmas holidays and that would make marking difficult. Schools were demonstrating that they were much better at switching to remote learning than last year, but it was hard to get some students to do the work. While connectivity issues have been addressed somewhat, the challenges are engagement issues, particularly motivating senior students to engage with that online space.

Kia Manawaroa: Information hub for whānau Māori

Kia Manawaroa is a dedicated channel for whānau Māori with tamariki and rangatahi in the education system. This Panui includes updates about changes and opportunities in the education system, positive stories of Māori achieving success as Māori, and advice for whānau supporting their tamariki and rangatahi through their unique learning journeys.

University and Te Pūkenga enrolment

Universities and Te Pūkenga have adapted their enrolment and scholarship application processes in light of Alert Level 4. They usually require learners to provide certified copies of results and identification documents. As an interim process, Te Pūkenga and the universities will obtain confirmation of students' results from NZQA. Students need to be prepared to provide certified documents if required once alert levels change.

MoE Education update Live and on demand television content

The Mauri Reo, Mauri Ora Kōanga 2021 TV series is now airing to ensure Māori language learning can continue anywhere, anytime for tamariki during and after Alert Level 4, every weekday from 9am to 12pm beginning today. Programmes will also be available online on the Māori TV website and on the Māori+ app. Home Learning | Papa Kāinga TV is back online and on television weekdays between 9am–1pm. It is primarily for learners without internet connectivity. It can be accessed on Duke+1 (Freeview channel 18). Those households who have Sky can also access Duke +1 on channel 504.

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