

Whānau Panui

COVID-19/Coronavirus

15 December 2021

Kia ora e te whānau

The Traffic Light System Update

Tāmaki Makaurau will move to Orange at 11.59pm on Thursday 30 December. Those remaining areas that are currently in Red, **except for Te Tai Tokerau**, will also move to Orange at 11.59pm on Thursday 30 December. These levels will stay in place until 17 January 2022. The Traffic Light System requires all fully vaccinated people to carry their **My Vaccine Passes** with them at all times when in the community, it is advised to also carry some identification. People who are fully vaccinated can request their free **My Vaccine Pass** through **My COVID Record** or call 0800222478 or check with your local Pharmacy, they can print Vaccine Passes.

Tāmaki Makaurau Boundary Update

From today, Wednesday 15 December, those travelling out of Tāmaki Makaurau who are not fully vaccinated will need to carry with them evidence of a negative test result within 72 hours of travel. Additionally, those who are travelling in other parts of the country with a transport company (e.g. Air New Zealand, Interislander Ferry) and aren't yet fully vaccinated, will also be required to carry evidence of a negative test result. To support this, rapid antigen tests will be available to the public under supervision by community pharmacies. These tests will be free from 15 December to 31 January and will be available at selected pharmacies throughout the country. The **Healthpoint website** will provide details of which community pharmacies will be offering this service.

Guidelines for Te Roopu Taurima in the Traffic Light System

A set of guidelines or SOPs (Standard Operating Procedures) have been developed for supporting tāngata and their whanau. Managers are working with their teams to implement the Te Roopu Taurima guidelines aimed at keeping everyone safe. A summarised operational table is available in all whare to show you, a copy as also been provided with this Panui.

Vaccine Pass Verifier App

Vaccine passes for manuhiri (whanau and contractors) will be required when you visit the whare or one of the offices. The kaimahi will use the whare tablets to scan your vaccine pass, it will not store any of your personal information, please be prepared to show identification if the kaimahi on-shift requests it.

Booster Dose

You can get a booster dose if you are aged 18 or over, have had the first and second dose of the vaccine and it has been at least 6 months since your second dose. You do not need a booster dose to be 'fully vaccinated', or to get a vaccine pass or certificate. If you do get a Booster dose, it will be added to your 'My Covid Record' and you can create another pass.

https://covid19.govt.nz/assets/resources/vaccine-resources/COVID-19-vaccines_Everything-about-boosters.pdf

Helpful Information

Keep up healthy habits:

<https://covid19.govt.nz/prepare-and-stay-safe/keep-up-healthy-habits/>

Scan QR codes and keep a track of where you have been.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact **Manawhakahaere/CEO**, Tania Thomas 0272912084 or tania.thomas@terooputaurima.org.nz

Kia maia, kia manawanui, kia kaha tātou ki te tiaki i a tātou ano

Be strong, be resilient, and let's look after one another



Te Roopu Taurima Covid19 Traffic Light System Operational Table (Guide)



	GREEN		ORANGE		RED	
	Vaccinated Tāngata	Unvaccinated Tāngata	Vaccinated Tāngata	Unvaccinated Tāngata	Vaccinated Tāngata	Unvaccinated Tāngata
Visitor Screening – for ALL offices and whare	NZ COVID Tracer app, NZ Pass Verifier (My Vaccine Pass) and screening questions installed on Whare tablets. Te Roopu Taurima visitor screening log book to be utilised. Manuhiri are encouraged to ring ahead and book to ensure there is no crossover between whānau groups of manuhiri including contractors.					
Visitors	If manuhiri is fully vaccinated and answers NO to all screening questions – indoors and outdoors. If manuhiri is unvaccinated or answers YES to any screening questions – outdoors only.	If manuhiri is fully vaccinated and answers NO to all screening questions – can meet indoors but in a designated area with minimal contact with others. If manuhiri is unvaccinated or answers YES to any screening questions – outdoors only – one family at a time.	If manuhiri is fully vaccinated and answers NO to all screening questions – outdoors only – one family at a time. If manuhiri is unvaccinated or answers YES to any screening questions – outdoors only – one family member at a time.	If manuhiri is fully vaccinated and answers NO to all screening questions – outdoors only – one family member at a time. If manuhiri is unvaccinated or answers YES to any screening questions – outdoors only – one family member at a time.	If manuhiri is fully vaccinated and answers NO to all screening questions – outdoors only – one family member at a time. If manuhiri is unvaccinated or answers YES to any screening questions – visit may be declined and arrangements made for online contact or to meet at an external venue.	
<i>When available, Rapid Antigen Testing (RAT) will be an additional protection measure that will be used as surveillance testing.</i>						
Community Outings	These can go ahead	Vaccine Passes to be used in the community for vaccinated tāngata at all settings. All Kaimahi must carry their vaccine passes and Te Roopu Taurima ID when out in the community while on shift. Mask wearing and social distancing to be followed as much as possible. If Vaccine Passes are not used outings will be restricted as defined by the Covid Protection Framework.				
Precautions for community outings under all settings:						
Home to Whānau	Tāngata can go on an overnight visit regardless of their vaccination status, however, an approved Home Leave form must be completed prior to departure. As part of the risk assessment process, discussion will happen with whānau around the requirement for undertaking screening upon tangata returning to the whare including the possibility of requiring a negative Covid test upon return. Unvaccinated tāngata will be required to produce a negative test result upon return.				Use of technology to connect will be encouraged as much as possible. Compassionate visits may occur with the risk assessment. Unvaccinated tāngata will be required to produce a negative test result upon return.	
New Referrals	Negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours. Risk assessment on a case-by-case basis; requires approval from Service Manager.					
Hospital Admissions (Returning home from Hospital Stay)	Negative test pre-discharge; follow DHB advice.					
Employment (if tangata are employed)	Can work following employer's public health measures.			Cannot work, unless essential worker and following risk assessment based on PWS health risk factors.		
Infection Control (where protocols are required to manage an infection)	Masks for kaimahi and visitors.			Masks, aprons and gloves for kaimahi and visitors; follow PPE guidance. One-metre social distancing where possible.		Outbreak kit utilised. Full PPE, including N95 masks and gowns, for kaimahi and PWS. One-metre social distancing where possible.
Transport	Keep to agreed number of people, wear masks, and reduce numbers in vans/keep social distance between passengers, clean van before/after use. Vehicle booking system to be used for pool cars to plan ahead for cleaning if required.					