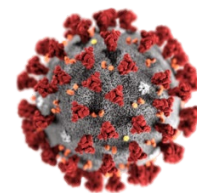


Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

All Staff

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Details:

As new information comes to hand, Delta will continue to keep everyone up to date with the current situation surrounding the Coronavirus outbreak. As it stands, we know that:

- New Zealand has five confirmed cases based on positive test results and two probable cases
- Of the confirmed cases, one patient continues to improve and planning is underway for hospital discharge. Hospital level care has not been required for the other cases
- For a third consecutive day, there are no additional confirmed or probable cases of COVID-19 to report in New Zealand
- 2000 people remain in self-isolation across New Zealand, including 54 health workers who may have come into contact with a probable coronavirus patient

Preventing the spread

A raft of new measures have just been announced by the New Zealand government to limit the spread of the virus, including:

- Health officials have been given the power to order entire cruise ships and airplanes into quarantine if there are grounds to believe that there may be cases of Covid-19 on board
- Travel restrictions to China and Iran have been extended for a further seven days
- A wage-subsidy scheme for workers affected by Covid-19 is under development

The Ministry of Health website has up to date information on ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-novel-coronavirus-health-advice-general-public>

As a reminder, if you are unwell, or a member of your family is unwell with a flu-like illness:

- stay at home,
- avoid going straight to a hospital or doctor's practice,
- phone Healthline's dedicated COVID-19 number, [0800 358 5453](tel:08003585453), It is free and available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and should be used to gain advice on the best action to take.

Plan of action

All Delta operations continue to operate as normal. Thank you to the staff who have informed us of any planned overseas travel. Please continue to keep your Managers updated.

Immediate actions	Who	By when
For accurate and up to date information on the Coronavirus outbreak: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ministry of Health https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov• World Health Organisation https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019	<i>All staff</i>	<i>Ongoing</i>
If you have a fever, cough or difficulty breathing, please telephone Healthline's dedicated number (for free) on 0800 358 5453	<i>All staff</i>	<i>ASAP</i>

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