

Friday 6 March 2020 0800 hours

Important information for all GP teams, Community Pharmacists, Community Nursing and Aged Care Facilities – Please share this with everyone in your team

CHANGE IN PROCEDURES

This change in procedure has been made due to joint decision between the IPCEC (Infection Prevention & Control Emergency Committee) and the Medical Officers of Health.

- Contact the Medical Officer of Health (03 364 1777) on suspicion of a suspect case.
- Do not ring the Clinical Microbiologist or Infectious Disease Physician any longer.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- As you begin using COVID-19 PPE supplies please re-order more from eoc@cprg.org.nz.

Collated Guidelines

- All the current guidelines have been collated into one presentation for you and your staff. This will be in the email with this update, but is also on the CPRG website: http://www.primaryhealthresponse.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Novel-Coronavirus-COVID-19-Response-for-Practices_FINAL_05-Mar-2020.pdf
- Please note, this information is current as of 5pm 5 March 2020. Case definitions and procedures may change, depending on the situation that is evolving.

Kind regards,

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