

## **COVID-19 Public Health Response (Authorisation of COVID-19 Orders) Notice (No 2) 2022**

This notice is made by the Prime Minister under section 8(c) of the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020 after being satisfied that there is a risk of an outbreak or the spread of COVID-19.

### **Notice**

#### **1. Title**

This notice is the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Authorisation of COVID-19 Orders) Notice (No 2) 2022.

#### **2. Commencement**

This notice comes into force on 20 December 2022.

#### **3. Interpretation**

In this notice,—

**health service** means any of the following:

- a. a health service within the meaning of section 5(1) of the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003;
- b. treatment or social rehabilitation provided under the Accident Compensation Act 2001;
- c. disability support services within the meaning of section 4 of the Pae Ora (Healthy Futures) Act 2022

**point-of-care test** means any kit or other material that is intended to—

- a. be used to test for SARS-CoV-2 or COVID-19 infection or immunity (whether current or historical) in an individual; and
- b. produce a result without analysis at a laboratory

**premises** includes—

- a. commercial premises or private premises (whether indoors or outdoors); and
- b. premises owned or managed by central or local government (whether indoors or outdoors); and
- c. a vehicle.

#### **4. Authorisation Relating to COVID-19 Orders**

The Prime Minister authorises the use of COVID-19 orders under the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020 in relation to the following matters:

- a. self-isolation requirements for COVID-19 cases;
- b. regulation of point-of-care tests;
- c. mask requirements in health service premises.

#### **5. Expiry of this Notice**

This notice expires on 28 February 2023.

#### **6. Revocation**

The COVID-19 Public Health Response (Authorisation of COVID-19 Orders) Notice 2022 (published in the [New Zealand Gazette, 19 October 2022, Notice No. 2022-s14494](#)) is revoked.

Dated at Wellington this 16th day of December 2022.

RT HON JACINDA ARDERN, Prime Minister.

#### **Explanatory Note**

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

By this notice, the Prime Minister authorises the use of orders made under the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020 (“Act”) in relation to the following matters:

- self-isolation requirements for COVID-19 cases;
- point-of-care test requirements;
- mask requirements in health service premises.

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This notice revokes the COVID-19 Public Health Response (Authorisation of COVID-19 Orders) Notice 2022, which authorised the same use of orders under the Act. This notice comes into force on 20 December 2022 and will expire on 28 February 2023.

This notice is made by the Prime Minister after being satisfied that there is a risk of an outbreak or the spread of COVID-19.

The notice is one way in which the prerequisites for making a COVID-19 order under the Act can be satisfied.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2019.

This notice is administered by the Ministry of Health.

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