

COVID-19 – Level 3 UPDATE

27 April 2020



TO ALL PATIENTS

At 11.59 pm on Monday 27 April New Zealand will move back to **Alert Level 3 – Restrict**.

Alert Level 3 will be in place for a minimum of 2 weeks and will be reviewed by the government no earlier than 11 May.

Under Alert Level 3 we will still be unable to provide in-person patient appointments at either our Christchurch or Wellington clinics.

- Travel for patients is limited, particularly when travelling outside your own region
- There remain risks for patients in at-risk groups (those 70+ years, those with pre-existing conditions)
- Social distancing and people maintaining only slightly enlarged “bubbles” will remain a priority

During Alert Level 3 we will be providing the same services we provided at Alert Level 4. Details of these services can be found here;

<https://scip.co.nz/covid-19-level-4-alert-update/>

Urgent Appointments

If you feel you or your child is in **URGENT** need of an appointment, and that this can't be addressed by our emergency service, please contact us by emailing reception@scip.co.nz.

Our clinical staff will evaluate your needs by phone or return email.

Further general information about Alert Level 3 is available from the COVID-19 website here;

<https://covid19.govt.nz/alert-system/alert-level-3/>

Advice for those in at-risk groups can be found here;

<https://covid19.govt.nz/assets/resources/COVID-19-Guidance-at-Alert-Level-3-for-people-at-risk-of-severe-illness.pdf>

We will provide a further update about services as we progress to Alert Level 2, in due course.