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To Allied Health, Scientific and Technical providers,

RE: Moving to Alert Level 1 for community allied health, scientific and technical providers

Cabinet has made the decision this afternoon to move to Alert Level 1 at 11.59 pm this evening. Thank you for your hard work to enable us to reach this milestone. The move to Alert Level 1 will enable you to provide services similarly to pre COVID-19. However, we must not forget that there is still a global pandemic and we must remain vigilant.

When the country moves into Alert Level 1 community allied health services can return to normal with the following recommendations:

- Enable contact tracing e.g. NZ COVID-19 tracer app.
- Discouraging patients to attend appointments when they are sick e.g. screening prior to appointment, public messaging
- Good infection prevention control measures are in place such as frequent hand washing and cleaning
- Physical distancing is not required but is encouraged where possible

Further information on Alert Level 1 can be found at <https://covid19.govt.nz/> and the Ministry of Health website <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus>

Yours sincerely



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