



August 2021

# **COVID-19 Level 4 BOP Laboratory Information (2)**

With the announcement for an extended lock-down, we advise as follows.

## **Reduction in Community Collection Facilities**

COVID surveillance swabbing is available tomorrow Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2021 and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at the dedicated CTC in the parking building at Tauranga Crossing shopping centre. OPEN - 8.30am – 3.00pm. We will advise if this will continue past Sunday.

## Effective Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021:

Katikati:	OPEN Monday, Wednesday, Friday, CLOSED Tuesday, Thursday
Bethlehem:	OPEN Normal hours Monday - Friday
Mt Maunganui:	OPEN Normal hours Monday - Friday
Te Puke:	OPEN Monday, Wednesday, Friday, CLOSED Tuesday, Thursday
OPD:	OPEN Normal hours Monday -Sunday
Greerton:	OPEN Normal hours Monday -Friday
Baymed:	CLOSED
Otumoetai:	CLOSED
Welcome Bay:	CLOSED

## Couriers

We would be most grateful if you could please let us know when a scheduled courier pick-up is not necessary i.e you have no specimens to collect. Please phone or text 021 173 0208.

#### **Request Forms**

Another reminder please that practises still emailing through their patient request forms *(those not using e-ordering)* to ensure to use the <u>dedicated email address of</u> <u>requestforms@pathlab.co.nz</u>. Other email addresses are not frequently monitored which can cause frustration for all parties when the patient arrives and there's no form.

With thanks, stay safe

Dianne McQueen, Chief Executive

Please ensure all members of your institution receive a copy of this clinical update.