

NZ Safety Alert

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Let's work together to keep ourselves and our workers safe.

Remain vigilant with worker health

Winter is approaching and there is potential for significant impact on workplaces and the health system from Covid-19, flu, and other diseases such as measles and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

People are encouraged to continue to get their Covid-19 boosters when due, get a flu vaccination, and make sure childhood immunisations such as measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) are up to date.

While Covid-19 settings are about to be dropped further, continued vigilance and caution is needed, especially for the protection of those at high risk. It is important to keep up good health and hygiene measures and stay home if feeling unwell.

You can find [a guide to worker health in extractives](#) on the MinEx website.

Ministry of Health data suggests an estimated 1,000 people will die of Covid-19 and 500 of influenza each year.

A guide to Worker Health in Extractives

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You need to ensure:

1. You maintain good hygiene and other measures to reduce the spread of disease in your workplace.
2. You have clear procedures for managing and supporting workers who are unwell.
3. You have planned for absenteeism and the impacts on other workers, including workload, need for supervision, competencies etc.

Know of an incident or near miss? Please share the learnings with us.