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Re Official Information Request for Covid Clinical Criteria for Admission and ICU

I refer to your official information request dated 26 October 2021 for the following information:

Are you able to forward me the criteria followed when deciding whether a patient who has contracted Covid-19 is admitted into hospital and when they are taken to ICU?

Response

The information you seek is publicly available at Auckland DHB's website under the Official Information Section.

See <https://www.adhb.health.nz/contact-and-feedback/official-information-act-requests/>

Specifically:

<https://www.adhb.health.nz/assets/Documents/OIA/2021/09-21/OIA-975-Covid-Patient-Protocol.pdf>

<https://www.adhb.health.nz/assets/Documents/OIA/2021/09-21/OIA-975-1.-COVID-19-clinical-management-inpatients.pdf>

<https://www.adhb.health.nz/assets/Documents/OIA/2021/09-21/OIA-975-3.-Guidance-for-use-of-non-invasive-ventilation-NIV-in-the-Adult-Emergency-Department.pdf>

<https://www.adhb.health.nz/assets/Documents/OIA/2021/09-21/OIA-975-4.-COVID-19-Risk-Screen-Assessment-Tool-Patient-Sheet.pdf>

<https://www.adhb.health.nz/assets/Documents/OIA/2021/09-21/OIA-975-5.-Process-for-confirming-COVID-19-status-following-swab.pdf>

<https://www.adhb.health.nz/assets/Documents/OIA/2021/09-21/OIA-975-6.-COVID-19-Novel-Coronavirus-Bed-Placement.pdf>

Auckland DHB's Clinical Guideline for Early Identification, Infection Prevention, and Management of COVID-19 has been updated since these documents were published to our website. The updated Guideline is attached. Note that on page 12 the guide refers to Category B staff and vaccines. This section of the guide has been superseded by the Government's vaccine order covering health workers.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours sincerely,



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Encl. *Auckland DHB Clinical Guideline for Early Identification, Infection Prevention, and Management of COVID-19*