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EMBARGOED until 3pm TODAY, Friday 29 October 2021.

Te Matatini Herenga Waka Herenga Tangata National Kapa Haka Festival 2022

Te Matatini event organisers have made a decision on the future of the 2022 Te Matatini Herenga Waka Herenga Tangata National Kapa Haka Festival.

After much deliberation, specialist's advice from Māori health experts and statisticians relating to the current climate of COVID-19 in Aotearoa, Te Matatini has made the collective decision to **postpone** Te Matatini Herenga Waka Herenga Tangata National Kapa Haka Festival until **February 2023**.

The festival will remain at Eden Park (Ngā Ana Wai) in Tāmaki Makaurau and all qualifiers and judges will remain the same as they currently stand.

[Click here](#) to view the full media release after 3pm Friday 29 October 2021.

COVID-19 Protection Framework

On Friday 22 October 2021, the Prime Minister announced the new COVID-19 Protection Framework (CPF), that will come into effect when each DHB region has 90% full vaccination.

The CPF will eventually replace the Alert Level System.

- Green aims to allow almost normal social and economic activity while continuing to build health system capacity
- Orange aims to avoid exponential growth in cases with moderate population level controls, and
- Red aims to protect the sustainability of the health system and the health of communities through population-level controls.
- [Click here](#) to view the simplified (but more detailed) Framework system.

How does the vaccine work?

The vaccine works like other vaccines. It teaches the immune system to recognise and fight the virus.

It can't give you the disease because it does not contain the virus, or a dead or inactivated virus, or anything that can affect our DNA.

The vaccine is gone completely from your body within a few days, leaving your immune system ready for action if COVID-19 comes near you.

The [Karawhuia website](#) provides more information on the COVID-19 vaccine.

[Click here](#) to find out how to get the COVID-19 vaccination.

New Dates

Te Matatini is still negotiating the set dates for February 2023 and these will be made known as soon as possible.



For more information

- [Health and Safety Resources](#)
- [Book My Vaccine](#)
- [News and Update](#)
- [COVID-19 Protection Framework](#)



Kapa Haka Pānui

In the next pānui scheduled for 12 November 2021, I will be covering information regarding

- Te Awe Kōtuku
- Judges Wānanga
- Te Matatini 50 Year Project



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