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Kia ora koutou

New Zealand Nurses Organisation to strike

I'm writing to let you know about a planned 24 hour strike by NZNO members on Wednesday 30 July from 0900 to 0900 hours Thursday 31 July 2025. This will involve a nationwide full withdrawal of labour by Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora nurses, health care assistants and some midwives.

We respect the right of our staff to take industrial action, and are now focused on the operational planning. Detailed contingency planning is underway to ensure we meet patients' needs during this time.

We may, however, need to prioritise essential and acute care services. This may mean deferring non-essential services and notifying affected patients accordingly.

Services that will not be operating as usual relate to non-essential care only.

To help us maintain optimal patient safety, we ask that you consider the surgical cases that you will be undertaking over this time to minimise any repatriation to the public hospital through an acute admission.

By assisting in these ways, you will help us keep patients safe, and we appreciate your support and cooperation during this time.

Ngā mihi



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