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We received confirmation this afternoon from the Auckland Regional Public Health Service (ARPHS) that a staff member in the Department of Mathematics has tested positive for Covid-19, and was on campus while infectious on Tuesday 17 August. We went into Alert Level 4 lockdown at 11.59pm on that day, so potential on-campus exposure is limited. In addition, it is thought the staff member contracted the virus from a family member (one of the previously confirmed community cases) rather than on campus.

The locations of interest relating to this new case are confined to the Science Centre, Building 303 at 38 Princes Street:

- Department of Mathematics, Building 303 (East), Level 1 Podium and Level 2 Podium, between 9.20am and 4.00pm on Tuesday 17 August
- Building 303, Basement, Rooms B13 and B15, between 4.00pm and 5.00 pm on Tuesday 17 August

If you were in these locations at these times you are considered a close contact and should get a test immediately, as well as self-isolate until the end of Tuesday 31 August. Anyone you live with will also need to self-isolate until you return a negative test.

Anyone who was in other locations of the Science Centre (B303) at these times is not considered a close contact, and should self-monitor for symptoms and contact Healthline on 0800 358 5453 if they have any concerns.

The University is working closely with ARPHS to support its contact-tracing process, and the locations of interest will be published on the <u>Ministry of Health's official list</u> shortly.

We are in contact with our staff member, who is now in MIQ with other family members, and I am pleased to say they are currently well.

Kia kaha

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