

# METRO NORTH ARI RESPONSE ACTION PLAN

HHS-wide and Directorate ARI Specific Actions to be taken <b>in addition to</b> ACUTE CAPACITY TIER ACTIONS – Note as per BAU standard transmission-based precautions to be used across all Tiers				
Trigger	Acute Capacity Tier 0 AND/OR <50% ARI Surge	Acute Capacity Tier 1 AND /OR 50-75% ARI Surge	Acute Capacity Tier 2 AND/OR 75-95% ARI Surge	Acute Capacity Tier 3 AND/OR ARI Surge >95%
<i>High Community Transmission / Increasing Trend (Alert)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact &lt;50% ARI SURGE Plan (if indicated)</li> <li>Testing as clinically indicated</li> <li>Masks to be available to staff in all clinical areas</li> <li>Prioritise new staff fit testing and annual reviews for existing staff</li> <li>Review PPE, testing kits, antivirals &amp; vaccine stocks <b>weekly</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact 50-75% ARI Surge Plan (if indicated)</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 0 plus:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surgical masks to be provided to patients at point of triage / direct admission / outpatient clinics</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact 75-95% ARI Surge Plan</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 1 PLUS                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4Plex Testing Authorised at Executive Director discretion</li> <li>Review workforce requirements (redeployment)</li> <li>Staff encouraged to wear masks in all clinical areas</li> <li>Meetings / training to be conducted virtually wherever possible</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact &gt;95% ARI Surge Plan</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 2 PLUS:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4Plex Testing authorised</li> <li>MN-wide comms RE Infection Control</li> <li>Staff and visitors encouraged to wear surgical masks in all clinical areas</li> <li>Transition to virtual outpatient clinics where possible</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<i>Moderate Community Transmission / Increasing (Alert) Trend</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact &lt;50% ARI SURGE Plan (if indicated)</li> <li>Testing as clinically indicated</li> <li>Masks to be available to staff in all clinical areas</li> <li>Prioritise new staff fit testing and annual reviews for existing staff</li> <li>Review PPE, testing kits, antivirals &amp; vaccine stocks <b>as required</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact 50-75% ARI Surge Plan (if indicated)</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 0 plus:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surgical masks to be provided at point of TRIAGE, and all other direct patient admission areas</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact 75-95% ARI Surge Plan</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 1 PLUS                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workforce reviewed for leave planning</li> <li>Stand up extension of Private Hospital Facility Funding Arrangements (PHFFA) for ARI surge – at ED direction for request to COO</li> <li>Optimise virtual training where possible.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact &gt;95% ARI Surge Plan</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 2 PLUS:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All essential meetings to be offered virtually</li> <li>MN-wide comms RE Infection Control</li> <li>All staff providing clinical care are strongly encouraged to wear surgical masks.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<i>Minimal Community Transmission / Increasing (Alert) Trend</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Testing as clinically indicated</li> <li>Masks to be available to staff in all clinical areas</li> <li>Prioritise new staff fit testing and annual reviews for existing staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact 50-75% ARI Surge Plan (if indicated)</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 0 plus:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surgical masks to be provided at point of TRIAGE, and all other direct patient admission areas</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact 75-95% ARI Surge Plan (if indicated)</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 1 PLUS                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review PCR collection services &amp; testing criteria</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enact &gt;95% ARI Surge Plan</li> <li>As per Acute Capacity Tier 2 PLUS:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review PCR collection services &amp; testing criteria</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<i>Low Community Transmission / Decreasing Trend</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nil additional ARI actions required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nil additional ARI actions required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nil additional ARI actions required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nil additional ARI actions required</li> </ul>
<b>ARI REPORTING REQUIREMENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weekly PHU surveillance reporting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weekly PHU surveillance reporting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Twice weekly reporting of:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>surveillance intelligence (PHU)</li> <li>Staff sickness &gt;3% (Directorates)</li> <li>Private Surge bed usage</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Daily reporting on:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>surveillance intelligence</li> <li>referral and utilisation of PHFFA services</li> <li>Staff sickness &gt;3% (Directorates)</li> <li>Private Surge bed usage</li> <li>Test turn-around times (Directorates)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>KEY STAFF MESSAGES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nil additional ARI messages required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote maintenance of up-to-date vaccinations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As per 50-75% Surge PLUS:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community transmission level</li> <li>ARI Surge level</li> <li>Promotion of Staff Extranet and PPE Use</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As per 75-95% Surge PLUS:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promotion of enhanced infection control (including recommendation for mask use)</li> <li>Changes to testing and workforce management</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

\*ARI Enhanced Surveillance Dashboard is available here: [Metro North Enhanced ARI surveillance v7 - Power BI](#) see Dashboard