Parafed Otago - Covid Management Policy (2022)

Outline

Parafed Otago will strive to protect the health of all members, volunteers, and staff by taking all reasonable precautions to prevent the spread of the Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19). In addition to complying with all legal requirements we will take any additional steps required to protect the health of vulnerable people. This policy will remain in effect until the New Zealand Government ends restrictions related to the circulation of Covid-19 in the community.

Who This Applies To

This policy applies to all staff, members, volunteers, and visitors at ParaFed activities wherever they take place.

What We Will Do

1. Take all reasonable steps to comply with the laws, regulations, and rules implemented by the New Zealand Government, local body government, venue management, and other legal bodies that are authorised to impose such restrictions.
2. All members, volunteers, and staff taking part in any activity must either be fully vaccinated with a government approved Covid-19 vaccine, or hold a medical exemption issued by an eligible medical practitioner.
3. Sport and recreation activities will only occur when the legal restrictions allow for indoor gatherings to occur with minimal restrictions and rules, i.e. ‘Green’ level under the CRF, Level 1 under the ‘levels’ system, or any equivalent level of restrictions applied under a different system of regulations.
4. Require participants, volunteers, and staff to scan in using their Vaccine Passport, so long as this is required under government mandated restrictions.
5. Require participants, volunteers, and staff to scan in using the provided venue QR code, so long as this is required under government mandated restrictions.
6. Ensure shared equipment is cleaned and sanitised prior to use, and in a practical manner during use.
7. Maintain ‘social distancing’ between volunteers, spectators, and non-playing participants, in accordance with government regulations.
8. Provide staff with paid leave time to get vaccinated.

What We Won’t Do

1. We will not compromise on these rules and any person not willing to comply with them, and provide evidence of compliance when required, will not be eligible to take part in ParaFed Otago run activities.

What Does Success Look Like?

Successfully implementing this policy will protect our members, volunteers, and staff, from the transmission of Covid-19. While it is not possible to be 100% certain that disease transmission cannot occur, all members, volunteers, and staff, should feel safe in taking part in the activity and want to participate.

Legislative Basis

The policy is in place to ensure that ParaFed Otago remains compliant with all laws and regulations issued by the New Zealand Government regarding the management of Covid-19.