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More than 13,000 doses administered to 5 to 11-year-olds; 24 community cases; 24 in hospital; 2 in ICU

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Yesterday, 13,028 child (paediatric) vaccine first doses were administered to 5 to 11-year-olds throughout New Zealand.

Nearly 30,000 children in this age group in New Zealand now have greater protection against COVID-19.

We want to thank children, and the caregivers who supported them, who got their first dose yesterday. We encourage everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated.

New Zealand's vaccine rollout remains our key defence against all variants of COVID-19, including nicron.

Yesterday, 38,606 boosters were administered, bringing the total to 828,215, which is 51% of those who are now due their booster.

Metropolitan Auckland is only 11 second doses short of double vaccinating 90% of Pacific people in the region, and should achieve this milestone today. This is an achievement worth celebrating and a testament to the efforts of health providers throughout the region's communities.

Update on the MIQ worker in Auckland

The border worker's household contact who returned a positive test yesterday is isolating at home.

Two other household contacts are symptomatic but returned negative tests yesterday.