



INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA
NATIONAL PANDEMIC ACT 2020

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER
NO.7 COVID-19 TESTING MEASURES

I, Commissioner David Manning, Controller, by virtue of the powers conferred by Section 9 of the *National Pandemic Act 2020* and all other enabling powers, hereby issue the following measures:

1. No COVID-19 testing equipment shall be used to test for COVID-19, except:
 - a. as listed in Schedule 1; and
 - b. as authorised by the Controller.
2. No person or organisation may conduct COVID-19 testing, except:
 - a. as listed in Schedule 2; and
 - b. as authorised in writing by the Controller.
3. All persons or organisations that conduct any form of Covid-19 test, must provide all positive tests results to the Controller within 24 hours of the result being known, and all negative results once a week.
4. A person or organization that does not comply with these Measures deemed to have committed an offence under the National Pandemic Act 2020.
5. Any Authorised Officer(s) appointed by the Controller pursuant to the Act, shall carry out and enforce these Measures accordingly.
6. These Measures come into effect on 30 September 2021 and shall apply until the end of the Declaration of a Pandemic under the Act, or as varied or revoked by the Controller.

Signed:

Date:



24th September 2021

DAVID MANNING, MBE, DPS, O.St.J, QPM
CONTROLLER



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Schedule 1 – COVID-19 Authorised Testing Equipment

- Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR)
- Gene Xpert
- Abbot Panbio Antigen Rapid Diagnostic Test (Ag-RDT)
- Abbot ID NOW Molecular Antigen Test

Schedule 2 – Approved Persons and Organisations to Conduct COVID-19 Testing

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| • National Department of Health | • Newcrest Mining |
| • Institute of Medical Research Papua
New Guinea | • K92 Mining |
| • Provincial Health Authorities | • Sky Health and Medical Services |
| • Port Moresby General Hospital | • Morobe Consolidated Goldfields Ltd |
| • St John Ambulance | • Pacific International Hospital |
| • OkTedi Mining | • ExxonMobil |
| • Simberi Gold | • ASPEN Medical |
| • 2K Medical Clinic | • International SOS |
| • MP Labs | • Oil Search |
| • Niugini MediHealth | |

