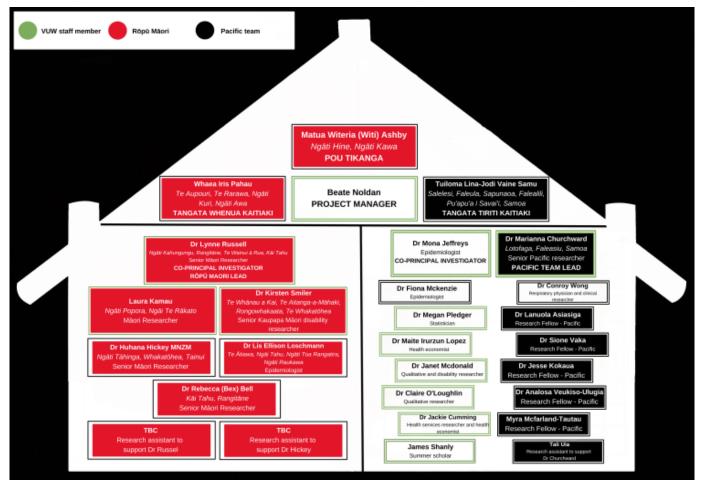
Impacts of Long COVID in Aotearoa New Zealand



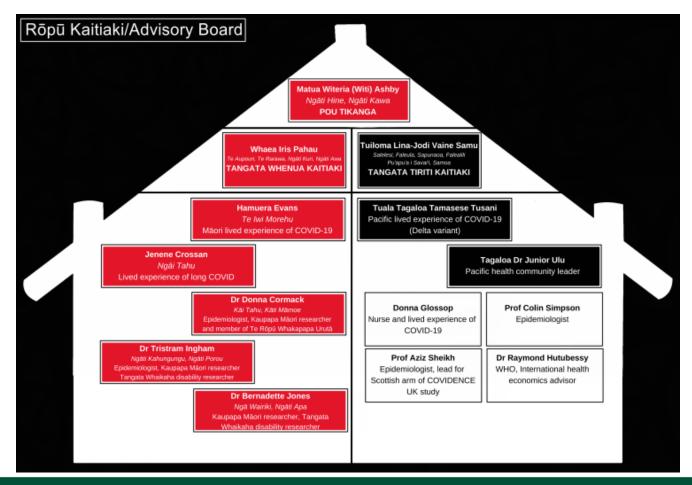














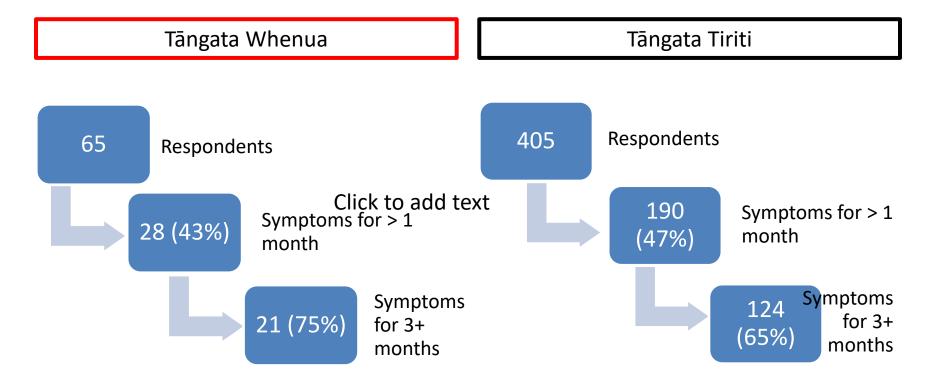


- People in Aotearoa New Zealand
 - Had COVID-19 before Dec 2021
 - Aged 16 or over
 - Sent invitation letter via MOH
 - Sent SMS via MOH
- Online surveys, in depth interview or both
- Surveys are at covidaotearoa.com
 - 1,000 completed some or all
 - Preliminary results from 373 people











Long COVID Symptoms

taste skinrash chestpain throat runnynose fever breathing headache cough jointpain anxiety tachycardia dizziness fatigue appetite hairloss brainfog sob tingling stomach smell periods weakness muscleaches depression

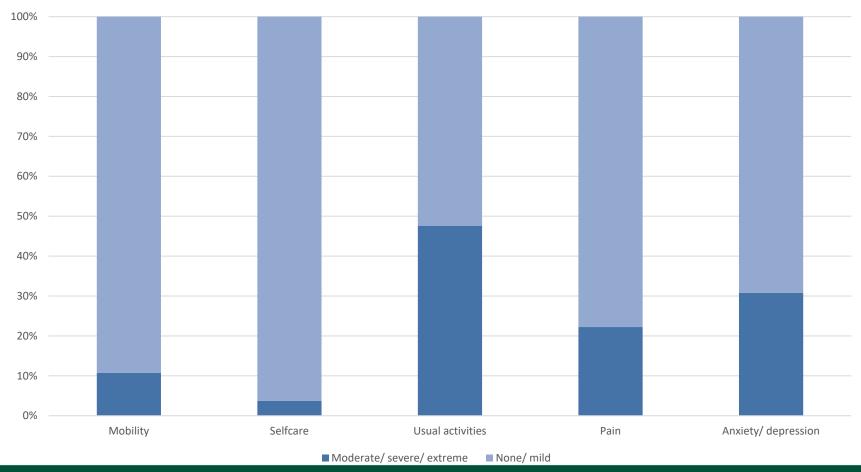


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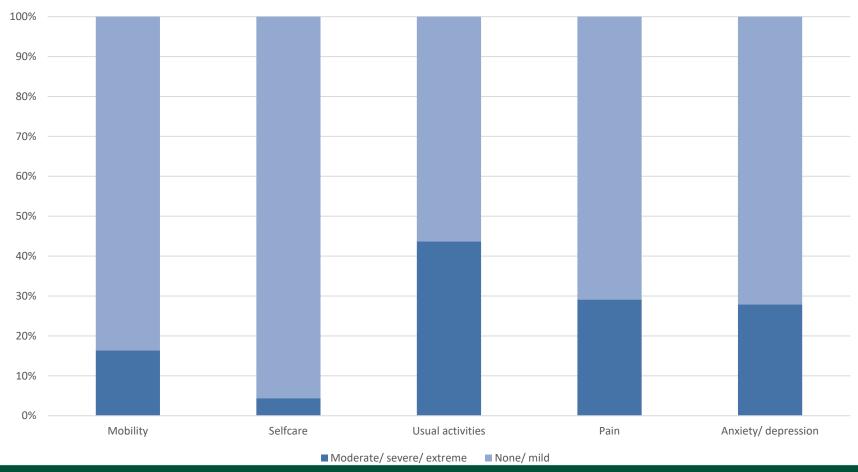


Impact on Daily Life: Māori





Impact on Daily Life: non-Māori





Challenges for Māori with Long COVID

I did not feel understood (43%)

I did not know when it would end (61%)

I was scared and

unsure what to do

next (52%)

I did not feel listened to (48%)

My doctor thought I was still contagious, even months later (18%)

My doctor did not refer me to a specialist (35%)

My doctor didn't know what to do next (32%)

I didn't know who to ask for help or support (52%) My doctor didn't recommend or provide wrap around support (32%)

My specialist referral was not accepted (13%)

I cannot get good information about vaccines for people with long COVID (50%)



Challenges for non-Māori with Long COVID

I did not feel understood (52%)

I did not know wher it would end (76%)

I asked for help but did not get any help or support (32%)

I did not feel listened to (44%) My doctor thought I was still contagious, even months later (8%)

My doctor did not refer me to a specialist (34%) I was scared an unsure what to do next (42%)

My doctor didn't recommend or provide wrap around support (49%)

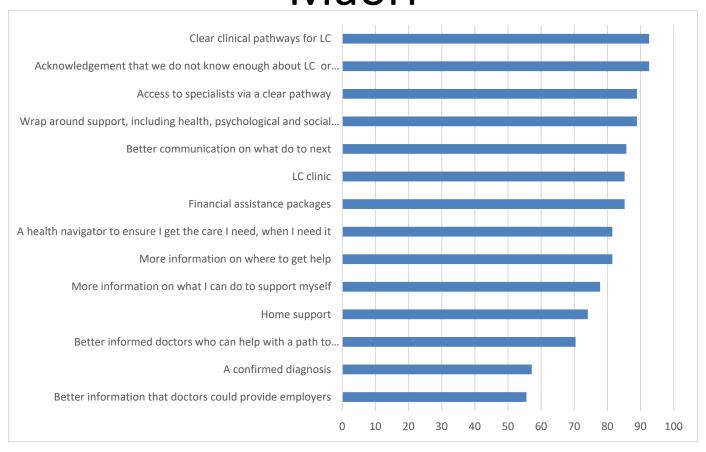
My specialist referral was not accepted (4%)

My doctor didn't know what to do next (43%)

I didn't know who to ask for help or support (37%) I cannot get good information about vaccines for people with long COVID (40%)



Suggested improvements to care: Māori





Suggested improvements to care: non-Māori

