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Wairarapa DHB is thrilled to have exceeded its first key milestone, with more than 50% of its target population having received at least their first dose

With 30,412 total doses now delivered in Wairarapa, the DHB is celebrating a significant statistic – 54% of its target vaccination population has had at least one dose of the Pfizer vaccine.

“This is a great achievement,” said Sandra Williams, the DHB’s senior lead for the vaccination programme.

“We see how busy the clinic is, how many bookings are made each week, and how the numbers keep coming through – but it is not until the significance of a figure like 54% jumps out at you that you realise what we are achieving.”

“I am really thrilled with our progress, but there is a long way to go yet,” Williams says.

As of Sunday 15th August, the DHB had delivered 30,412 doses. There were 11,996 people fully vaccinated, and 6,420 partially vaccinated.

While there are 39,940 people 16 years and over in Wairarapa, the DHB target of 85% vaccination uptake means it expects to vaccinate nearly 34,000 people. This target will increase if the government approves vaccination for 12 years and over.

Group 4 is still opening by age bands as announced by the Ministry of Health. Currently, Groups 1, 2 and 3 and anyone over the age of 50 can book their vaccination by going online to BookMyVaccine.nz or phoning 0800 28 29 26. To find out more go to VaccinateGreaterWellington.nz

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