



Preventing Rheumatic Fever

Newsflash

Rheumatic fever e-learning course

A new rheumatic fever e-learning course is now available at Learnonline.health.nz

The course is free and is aimed at primary care and public health nurses, as well as community health workers who work with families whose children are at risk of developing rheumatic fever.

Participants will receive a certificate showing they've successfully completed the two-hour course.

Made up of four modules, the course includes information about:

- rheumatic fever in New Zealand
- how to identify people at high risk of rheumatic fever and how to assess and manage sore throats based on the identified risk
- ways to reduce the transmission of sore throats within the household
- how to identify the main symptoms and signs of rheumatic fever, as well as how it is typically managed in hospital and in the long-term (including secondary prophylaxis).