

Manawa – the health research and education facility

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Manawa?

Manawa is the building name for the health research and education facility, which is a flagship project for Te Papa Hauora/Health Precinct and will be a world-class hub for health education, research and innovation in Christchurch. This will bring together a network of world-class researchers, students and clinicians in one collaborative space.

Ara, Canterbury District Health Board (CDHB) and University of Canterbury (UC) created Manawa to co-locate education and research activities, share infrastructure and facilitate collaboration/innovation.

Who is moving to Manawa?

- Ara nursing, midwifery and medical imaging programmes staff and students
- CDHB Nursing Workforce Development Team – PDRP, DEU, NetP
- CDHB Professional Development Unit, Clinical Skills Unit
- CDHB Research & Quality Teams
- University of Canterbury – PhDs, Masters students & lecturers.

Where is Manawa?

Manawa is close to Christchurch Hospital, on the corner of Tuam and Antigua Streets. The formal street address is 276 Antigua Street.



What is the meaning of the name “Manawa”?

Manawa means heart, patience or breath in Te Reo Maori and was gifted to the partnership as a reflection of the proverb “Manawa whenua, manawa tangata”, which describes the intimate connection between human health and the health of our environment.

To find out more about the name watch the [video](#).

How is Manawa organised?

- Ground floor – Café (pending), Change rooms, Parent room and Learning Commons
- First floor – Learning spaces
- Second floor – Simulation Centre
- Third floor – Learning spaces
- Fourth floor – UC and CDHB staff
- Fifth floor – Reception and Administration; Ara and CDHB staff
- Sixth floor – currently unoccupied

What are the open hours of the building?

The main entrance to the building is on Antigua Street and will be open for free access between 7am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday. Outside these times access is by security card only.

How do I access the building?

For users of the building, authorised access is by way of electronic access card. Cards are mapped to the individual staff member or student. Different levels of access will be provided depending on your position or role. Access cards can be applied for through your manager or student administrator.

Is there any parking available in or around the building?

The building doesn't have any parking. There will eventually be two mobility parking spaces available at the side of the building, once Oxford Terrace is reconfigured as part of the Avon River Precinct work currently underway, but we do not have a clear time-frame for this at present.

- Christchurch City Council operates a range of car parks in the [inner city](#), as does [Wilson Parking](#).
- There are approximately 175 cycle parks outside Manawa adjacent to the main entrance. Securing your bike with a D-lock is advised.
- The nearest bus stop to Manawa is opposite, outside the new Outpatients Building.
 - See metroinfo.co.nz for information and bus timetables.
 - The **Blue Line** bus departs from The Princess Margaret Hospital every 15 minutes, headed for the centre of the city. CDHB staff may consider parking at Princess Margaret free of charge and bussing into town.
 - The **Purple Line** bus departs from the Ara City Campus and via the Bus Exchange will drop you off at the Super Bus stop outside the Outpatients Building. Ara staff and students may consider continuing to park around the Ara City Campus and bussing down to HREF.