



Your Heart Forecast (YHF) – Registration process.

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The Heart Foundation, University of Auckland and Enigma jointly created Your Heart Forecast and manage the licensing for this tool. We have become aware that the tool has at times been used in place of an accredited CVD risk assessment tool

The Your Heart Forecast tool is not a CVD Risk Assessment tool for two main reasons; firstly a 'clinically high' classification is not applied for those patients who have already had previous CVD events and secondly it does not assume a minimum risk level of 15%

Your Heart Forecast is intended to be a communication aid to help to convey CVD Risk to patients. More details are available here: <http://www.enigma.co.nz/YHFLimitations> - Should you wish to discuss the clinical details of this further please contact Dr Sue Wells or Professor Rod Jackson.

It is critical for us all to take a quality orientated approach to implementing our CVD Risk Management programmes.

We appreciate the time which you have taken to register to use the YHF tool, however it is important to us that this tool is not used in a manner which could have adverse effects for patients. YHF is not a suitable tool to use to Risk Assess the NZ population.

There are more suitable tools for this purpose and we request that all providers adopt such a fully accredited, clinical risk assessment (and management tool) to use in conjunction with the YHF tool.

Below is a list of tools which have been independently Quality Assured and are considered suitable to use in conjunction with Your Heart Forecast:

- Predict
- best practice
- Mohio
- The Edge (by Waitemata PHO, and currently supported by them)

Other tools exist but we are not aware of independent QA, or integration testing with the Your Heart Forecast. We have reserved the right to grant licenses to users who have opted to use one of the accredited tools.

Licensing

Types of permitted use of YHF (permitted under the limited – 'public license' granted by the Heart Foundation):

- CVD Risk communication, in association with one of the above tools, conducted within:
 - o Publically funded consultations within primary or secondary care.
 - o Publically funded Maori Health Providers.
- Some other cases may be permitted on a case by case basis, upon application