UPDATE FROM THE COVID-19 HEALTH INCIDENT CONTROLLER

Metro North Health

1 August 2021 - Update 2

Dear colleagues,

Further to my earlier message, the Chief Health Officer has now provided clarification on quarantine requirements for families with children attending schools involved in the current COVID-19 cluster in Brisbane.

Any staff member with a child who:

- Attends Indooroopilly State High School, Ironside State School or Brisbane Boys Grammar school
- Attended the Brisbane Girls Grammar School Open Day on Friday evening July 30
- Attended a debate at St Peters Lutheran College on Friday evening July 30

MUST NOT return to work unless they have received two negative COVID tests 24 hours apart **AND** if they can isolate completely from other household members (preferably at a different address)

In all other cases, if you are clinically well and have not been identified by Public Health as a quarantine close contact, you can work as normal tomorrow.

Please communicate with your line manager ASAP if you will be unable to attend for rostered clinical duties over the next 48 hours.

School and cases as at 1 August	Quarantine Requirements	Rationale
Indooroopilly State High School	All teachers, staff, students, visitors, parents and household contacts quarantining for 14 days.	Confirmed cases attended this school
4 students	 Consideration of options for absolutely essential workers: must be able to suitably quarantine away from household contacts, preferably at a different address must communicate their secondary close contact status to their employer must have two negative tests, 24 hours apart prior to work. 	
	 Must follow employer's direction re return to work, including other precautions, such as daily testing, screening, PPE use, minimizing attendance to urgent only, use of remote services where possible 	

School and cases as at 1 August	Quarantine Requirements	Rationale
Ironside State School 3 students and 1 teacher.	Same as above	Confirmed cases attended the school
St Peter's Lutheran College Nil	Everyone who attended after hours debate to quarantine School not closed	Case only attended after hours debate
Brisbane Grammar School (Boys) 1 student and 1 parent	As per Indooroopilly and Ironside schools	Confirmed case attended the school
Brisbane Girls Grammar School Nil	All teachers,staff, students, parents and household contacts who attended specified areas at the Open Day between 5:25 and 8pm are to quarantine for 14 days. Essential workers managed as per Indooroopilly SHS	Confirmed case attended open day between 5.25 and 8 p.m.
St Joseph's Gregory Terrace Nil	Only students on bus quarantine All school students and staff recommended to get tested	Case shared bus with St Joseph's students

Further information can be found at the **Queensland Health contact tracing website**.

Regards,

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