# **UPDATE FROM THE COVID-19 HEALTH INCIDENT CONTROLLER**

Metro North Health

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Dear colleagues,

Queensland has recorded a new locally acquired COVID-19 case who was potentially infectious in the community for five days.

The new case was a truck driver who lives between the Gold Coast and Brisbane and was infectious from 27 August. This man is in addition to the truck driver from NSW who was revealed as a new case yesterday who visited towns inside the Queensland border.

The new exposure sites have been added to the Queensland Health <u>contact tracing list</u>, ensure that you check this as soon as you can and follow the instructions listed on the website. Further contact tracing will be conducted, make sure you continue to check the contact tracing list.

### **Interstate borders**

As of Saturday 4 September, Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk said 50 rooms would initially be made available to returning Queenslanders or people relocating to the state who have been priorities for entry early, with more spaces offered as hotel rooms open.

#### Vaccine milestone

More than 50 per cent of Queenslanders aged 16 years and over have had at least their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine with over three million doses administered. Metro North Health has been integral to the rollout of vaccinations in the south-east corner and the state could not have done it without all of you working in the vaccination hubs, compounding the vaccines, and managing bookings. Thank you!

### **Metro North remains on Tier 1**

Despite this ease of restrictions, Metro North will continue to remain on <u>Tier 1</u> in our COVID response plan and <u>moderate risk PPE</u>, with fever clinic staff and emergency department triage staff wearing P2/N95 masks. We will be assessing this status over the next few weeks.

PPE guidelines are online for <u>healthcare delivery</u> and for <u>residential aged care and disability accommodation</u>.

#### Helpful links

- Qld Health contact tracing list
- Register for your vaccine
- Qld Health general COVID-19 page

We will continue to monitor this COVID-19 news closely and will provide updates to you all.

Regards,

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Metro North Incident Controller

### Metro North Health - overview of cases\*

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	Patients being managed by HHS						Fever Clinics		
	Total In-patients							Duncantations	
		ICU Pts				Total		Presentations	
ннѕ		ICU-NOT Ventilated	ICU- Ventilated			Total cases manage d by HHS (includin g recovere d) ***	clinics	Yesterday	TOTAL^
MN TOTAL	13	1	0	0	4	782	4	279	234,786

<sup>\*</sup>As at 02/09/2021 at 1100

<sup>\*\*</sup>Metro North Health has four recorded deaths (one person a return traveller into NSW, who passed away in NSW)
\*\*\* These numbers reflect the cases being managed by Metro North Health.