UPDATE FROM THE COVID-19 HEALTH INCIDENT CONTROLLER

Metro North Health

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Dear colleagues,

Queensland cases

Today Queensland recorded one new community case of COVID-19 and one overseas acquired case.

A Brisbane school student tested positive and students have been sent home from St Thomas More College in Sunnybank as a precaution. The case, which only emerged this morning, is under investigation.

Parts of Brisbane are also on alert after a NSW truck driver tested positive to COVID-19 and was infectious in Queensland on 5 and 6 September. The driver visited many places around Archerfield and Mount Gravatt in southern Brisbane.

The <u>contact tracing site</u> will be updating throughout today and in the coming days, so ensure you are checking it and following any instructions that may apply to you.

Easing border bubble restrictions

The Queensland Government will reinstate the border bubble with NSW from 1 am on Monday. Students and essential workers will be able to travel from the 12 NSW LGAs where restrictions have eased, into Queensland.

We will be watching closely to see what comes of these two cases that have been in the community. In the meantime, please keep up physical distancing, hand washing, mask wearing and book in for your vaccine if you haven't already.

Regards,

Louise O'Riordan

Metro North Incident Controller

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
- Metro North COVID-19 extranet

Metro North Health - overview of cases*

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	Patients being managed by HHS						Fever Clinics		
	Total In-patients							Presentations	
		ICU Pts				Total	ļ	Presentations	
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MN TOTAL	2	2	0	0	4	785	4	313	237,129

^{*}As at 10/09/2021 at 1125 **Metro North Health has four recorded deaths (one person a return traveller into NSW, who passed away in

^{***} These numbers reflect the cases being managed by Metro North Health.