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Message from the Metro North Health Incident Controller - COVID-19 update 281

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Dear colleagues

We've had some lovely weather over the long weekend and I hope you've all had some time to enjoy it with friends and family. I write today with a few updates as incident controller.

Queensland cases

Today Queensland has recorded one new community case of COVID-19, a woman in her 50s who was infectious in the community for ten days. The case, who lives in Brisbane's northside, is not linked to any known clusters and authorities are investigating where she contracted the virus. There has a been a considerable number of new exposure sites added to the state's <u>contact tracing website</u>, please check this as soon as possible to see if any times or places are relevant to you.

Updates to the Queensland border

From 1am AEST Sunday 3 October 2021 the Richmond Valley local government area moved to the restricted border zone. This means that <u>restricted border zone</u> rules now apply to Richmond Valley residents and Queenslanders travelling to that area. The <u>Border</u> <u>Restrictions Direction (No. 48)</u> will come into effect from 1am AEST Tuesday 5 October.

Pop-up clinic at Suncorp Stadium

I'd like to acknowledge and thank all the staff who worked yesterday at Suncorp Stadium for the NRL Grand Final – they vaccinated more than 200 people and registered many more! And a special thank you to everyone who worked over the long weekend, your efforts have not gone unnoticed. To everyone working in vaccine hubs, fever clinics, fit testing, public health, Metro North and facility EOCs and BAU across our facilities, thank you very much.

Each and every one of you play a part it taking care of our community's health and keeping them safe and healthy.



As always, continue to practice social distancing, keep up good hand hygiene and if you are experiencing any symptoms at all please get tested.

Kind regards Michele Gardner

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>.

PPE guidelines are online for healthcare delivery and for residential aged care and disability accommodation.

Helpful links

- Upload evidence of your vaccine
- **<u>QId Health contact tracing list</u>**
- Register for your vaccine
- Qld Health general COVID-19 page
- Metro North COVID-19 extranet
- <u>COVID vidcast recordings on QHEPS</u>