



6 April 2022

Dear colleagues,

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There are 8534 new COVID cases reported in Queensland.

Current Tier 3 situation

Metro North has 868 staff currently out of the workplace due to either being close contacts or COVID positive. This is in addition to other sick leave and planned school holiday leave.

We currently have 861 patients in our care, including 72 inpatients with 7 in ICU. We are working to create more inpatient capacity for COVID patients in our acute facilities.

So far we have supported 144 staff who are close contacts to return to work under the Critically Essential Worker requirements.

Metro North remains on [Tier 3](#) of our COVID-19 response plan. This means a significant reduction in planned care and the suspension of face to face meetings. Please review the Tier 3 plan for more details.

Community restrictions easing

Community restrictions will ease from 1am next Thursday 14 April.

This will allow unvaccinated people to visit some venues including pubs, clubs, cafes and restaurants; theme parks, casinos and cinemas; weddings; showgrounds; and galleries, libraries, museums and stadiums.

Current [vaccination and check-in requirements](#) remain in place until 14 April.

Vaccination and check-in requirements will continue for anyone visiting or working in vulnerable settings (hospitals, disability accommodation services and residential aged care) as well as for workers in high risk settings including schools, childcare, prisons and airports.

There will be no change to the requirement for staff to be vaccinated under Health Employment Directive 12/21.

Record your booster

Evidence of your COVID vaccine booster can be uploaded to the Queensland Health COVID-19 Vaccination Hub easily:

- Download your COVID digital certificate from your myGov account

- Go to the [COVID-19 Vaccination Hub](#)
- Choose the +Booster Vaccination option
- Add your booster details
- Upload or drag and drop your certificate
- Save

Find your nearest clinic on the [Queensland Health website including school holiday pop ups.](#)

Regards,

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Metro North Health Incident Controller

Current Metro North Health tier activated – [Tier 3](#)

Helpful links

- [Register your positive RAT result](#)
- [Upload evidence of your vaccine or booster](#)
- [Vaccination locations](#)
- [Qld Health general COVID-19 page](#)
- [Metro North COVID-19 extranet](#)
- [COVID vidcast recordings on QHEPS](#)

Metro North Health – overview of cases*

HHS	Patients managed by HHS				Fever clinics		
	Total in-patients			Virtual ward/ HITH/ similar	Deaths**	No. of clinics	Presentations
	73	ICU patients					Yesterday
MN total		ICU not ventilated	ICU ventilated	789	55	3	195
	5	2					
Norfolk Island total ****	Total in-patients			HITH /Home monitored	Total cases including recovered	Deaths	Close Contacts in quarantine
	0	ICU Not ventilated	ICU ventilated				
		0	0	0	25	160	0

Data as at 06/4/2022

**Metro North Health has 55 recorded deaths (one person a return traveller into NSW, who passed away in NSW)

*** As part of an Intergovernmental Agreement, from 1 January 2022 Metro North Health is providing a number of health support services to Norfolk Island. This includes advice and support to staff on island in terms of managing COVID patients. The numbers in this section of the table refer to COVID patients who remain on Norfolk Island and are receiving direct care by staff on Norfolk Island