



**14 April 2022**

Dear colleagues,

- Current Tier 4 situation
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There are 8754 new COVID cases reported in Queensland.

#### **Current tier 4 situation**

Our Chief Executive Jackie Hanson and I held a vidcast today to update on the COVID situation.

All planned care remains postponed ahead of the long weekend. We are aiming to resume planned care on Wednesday in line with Tier 4 of our COVID response plan.

It is critical we release staff to assist with urgent frontline care.

We currently have 755 COVID patients, including 128 inpatients with 3 in ICU.

There are 718 staff out of the workplace as close contacts or COVID positive. So far 197 staff have returned under the Critically Essential Worker requirements.

#### **Vaccination clinics**

Today Metro North is closing our last two public vaccination clinics, Kippa-Ring and Doomben.

Since we started vaccinations in early March 2021, we have delivered more than 640,000 doses to staff, frontline colleagues, and the broader community.

It has been a massive operation which often saw us standing up clinics very quickly for events and pop up weekends. I'd like to thank all staff members who have played a role in the delivery of vaccines to our community. To all the vaccinators, pharmacists, and support staff involved in delivering this critical service to our community I say thank you!



Doomben Racecourse clinic



Kippa Ring clinic



Kippa Ring clinic

## Staff testing clinics

If you have any COVID symptoms, please get tested. Staff can access PCR tests at TPCH and Redcliffe fever clinics. Other sites have RAT kits available. Details of where to get a COVID test are available on the [COVID extranet](#).

I'd like to acknowledge how incredible Metro North has been able to manage the COVID-19 surge we've seen in our facilities in the last week – and it's all due to our amazing staff. Thank you! I hope you get a well-earned break over the Easter long weekend. For anyone continuing to work over the next few days, thank you for keeping everyone safe and happy.

Regards,

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Metro North Health Incident Controller

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**Current Metro North Health tier activated – [Tier 4](#)**

### 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
	128	ICU patients					Yesterday
MN total		ICU not ventilated	ICU ventilated	650	57	3	179
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	39	200	0

Data as at 14/4/2022

\*\*Metro North Health has 57 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.