

Metro North Hospital and Health Service

09th September 2020

## Re: Confirmed COVID-19 case at soccer game on Saturday, 05 September 2020

Dear parents, care givers, students and soccer officials

Metro North Public Health Unit has been notified of a confirmed case of 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in a team member who played in the St Edmond's versus St Patrick's thirds soccer game in the afternoon of Saturday, 05 September 2020. The team member was not aware that he was in the very early stages of coronavirus infection at the time.

The risk to other players, officials and spectators has been assessed by Queensland Health as very low. Players and officials have therefore been classified as casual contacts, meaning they are not required to undertake quarantine or screening testing (coronavirus testing in people who do not have symptoms).

However, please read the following information carefully, and should you develop any symptoms of COVID-19, please arrange to be tested at a testing centre and isolate until you know your result is negative and you are well.

Details of Queensland fever clinics can be found online at:

https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/stay-informed/testing-and-fever-clinics

COVID-19 is an infectious disease that is spread from person-to-person by droplets during coughing, sneezing and talking.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include, but are not limited to:

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath
- Runny nose
- Fatigue
- Loss of smell and/or taste

Other symptoms people may experience include muscle or joint pain, diarrhoea, nausea and/or vomiting and loss of appetite.

If you experience symptoms, and are seeing your local doctor, please call ahead and tell them about your symptoms so they can prepare for your visit. Please call emergency services on 000 if you are very sick.

If you have arranged to be tested for COVID-19, please take this letter to the collection centre with to ensure your test is marked as 'Public Health – St. Edmond's College' and processed as a priority.

Even if you do not experience COVID-19 symptoms, you should protect yourself and others with the following measures:

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water, or alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Cover your cough and sneeze, then dispose of tissues in the bin and wash your hands
- If unwell, avoid contact with others (touching, kissing, hugging, and other intimate contact)
- Don't go to work or school if you are sick
- Stay 1.5 metres away from others think two big steps
- Although not mandatory, Queensland Health currently recommends the use of face masks for those in the Greater Brisbane community who are unable to maintain social distance

Further information on COVID-19 is available on the Queensland Health website.

If you have questions, please contact the Metro North Public Health Unit on 3624 1111 during business hours.

Yours sincerely

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