



COVID-19 UPDATE

COVID-19 Information from the SA Health GP Liaison

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A big THANK YOU to all that you are doing on the front line!
As face to face consults resume and we start considering returning to consulting as usual and undertaking spirometry, cervical screening tests and all other things GP, please remember to prioritise your own mental health and wellbeing.

SA COVID-19 Dashboard available [here](#) to see current testing. Please email Health.COVID-19GPLiaison@sa.gov.au if you have any questions, concerns or comments. Always happy to help!!

COVID-19 Testing at SA Pathology

A reminder that patients attending SA Pathology drive through testing facilities require an appointment to be booked, prior to swabbing. Once SA Pathology receive the fax, they will call the patient to make a booking. This call may be later in the day due to the numbers of faxes being receiving. Domiciliary testing still continues as well.

PPE in Residential Aged Care Facilities (RACF)

As previously discussed SA Health has surplus PPE available to GPs, if you are unable to currently source. In addition, we have had reports of RACFs not being able to source PPE. Facilities can email HealthPSCMSCOCustomerService@sa.gov.au to seek PPE. It's important that we continue to test all residents who meet the current CDCB testing criteria and that PPE is worn for that resident while awaiting a result.

GP Guide for Providing Care to Sporting Teams

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this fact sheet on providing care to sporting teams, which now gone through the public health teams for release. It is attached to this email and will be live soon on the SA Health website.

COVID Safe App - Devices Now Compatible

Thank you for the early feedback regarding the issues with software compatibility for the COVID Safe App on older model phones. The app has now been updated to work on older model phones, including iPhones up to 7 years old which are running IOS10 or higher.

Interstate Restrictions

As announced today there will be no requirement now to quarantine for interstate travellers from WA, NT and Tasmania effective from midnight tonight. This means that anyone who is currently in quarantine from these locations will no longer need to remain in quarantine. As the Commissioner explained, the direction will vanish. However, the aged care directive and hospital visiting policies currently still reflect that all interstate travellers cannot enter these facilities, unless on compassionate grounds.

SA Health Website

The [Health Professionals COVID-19 resources](#)

Telephone numbers

SA COVID-19 Information line: 1800 253 787

SA COVID-19 Social and non-clinical support: 1300 705 336

SA COVID-19 Mental health support: 1800 632 753

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