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Good evening everyone. There are currently three active case of COVID-19 in South Australia. Check out the [dashboard](#) for further details. This is my last update for 2020. The Health.COVID-19GPLiaison@sa.gov.au will be monitored again from 4 January 2021.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy festive season

Thank you all for your support and assistance over the last few months and especially over the Parafield Cluster.

Reflecting on this year, it has been hard and exhausting one for everyone, but we have all worked hard to keep South Australians safe. I want to thank all of you for your hard work and dedication to your patients and the community. In particular, a big thank you to the GPs who have supported the Medi-Hotels, close contacts and COVID-19 positive patients in the community.

Masks

Just a reminder, from 12.01am Wednesday 23 December 2020, masks will no longer be mandatory in health care settings. This date marks the closure of the Parafield Cluster. More information is available at www.covid-19.sa.gov.au. Practices can continue using or mandating masks, but this is up to the individual health care facility to implement.

Information regarding administration of Zostavax

Following a third report of fatal disseminated vaccine strain varicella-zoster virus infection following Zostavax administration, the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) is reminding health professionals that Zostavax should not be used in people with compromised immune function.

A Safety Advisory was published this afternoon on the TGA website:

<https://www.tga.gov.au/alert/zostavax-vaccine-1>

South Australia COVID-19 Update

- 0 new cases
- 3 active COVID-19 cases
- 4,054 tests yesterday
- 789,038 tests in total
- 566 confirmed cases in total
- 559 people have recovered from COVID-19
- 4 COVID-19 related deaths

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