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20 November 2020

Good evening everyone. There are currently 37 active cases of COVID-19 in South Australia. Check out the [dashboard](#) for further details. Thank you for your ongoing support and care to your patients. Any issues, please email me at Health.COVID-19GPLiaison@sa.gov.au

Stay at home Direction update

This week a Stay at Home Direction was implemented to manage the Parafield cluster and ensure our state was protected from further uncontrolled spread of COVID-19. However, as detailed investigations continued, it was discovered that an individual deliberately misled our contact tracing team.

The Parafield cluster remains a significant concern, and while this concern has lessened, measures still need to be in place to protect our state.

- As of 12pm today, Friday 20 November 2020 exercise outside of your home with members of your household is permitted.
- Masks are not mandatory but are encouraged.
- Schools will re-open on Monday 23 November 2020.
- The Directions will continue to be reviewed with the aim to open the borders to VIC on 1 December as originally planned and further open SA by reducing restrictions.

As of 12:01am on Sunday 22 November (Midnight Saturday) South Australia will revert back to similar restrictions that were in place on Monday 16 November 2020.

This includes:

- 1 person per 4 square metres will apply.
- No dancing or vertical consumption.
- Updated gathering provision numbers being:
 - Onsite purchase and consumption of food and beverages- 100 people maximum and no more than 10 people at each table.
 - Funerals- 50 people maximum
 - Weddings- 150 people maximum and registration of all guests with SA Health
 - Religious ceremonies (not including a wedding or funeral)- 100 people maximum

- Private gatherings- 50 people maximum
- Private residence- 10 people per house (unless more than 10 people permanently reside at the residence)
- All food and beverages will need to be consumed while seated.
- Personal care workers will need to wear masks.
- Gyms are permitted to reopen.

More information will be provided as it becomes available at <https://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/>

COVID-19 testing sites

All South Australians who have symptoms of COVID-19, no matter how mild, are being asked to get a test as soon as symptoms appear. The wait times are much better now – with Vic Park continuously open until 0001 Sunday 22/11/20.

For a list of sites visit and other testing information visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/covidtesting.

COVID-19 health alert

SA Health has identified a number of locations of concern. Anyone who visited these locations should monitor for symptoms and get tested immediately if symptoms appear. The list of locations and advice can be found at www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVIDcontacttracing.

SA GP Webinars – e prescribing

There are several GP Webinars over the next few weeks focused on electronic prescriptions.

Electronic Prescriptions update for South Australia – Dispensers
on Nov 26, 2020 6:30 PM ACDT at:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8910022629146082060>

Electronic Prescriptions update for South Australia - Prescribers
on Nov 30, 2020 6:30 PM ACDT at:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/56921028549652236>

Telehealth existing relationship – MBS rebate

Given the rapidly changing nature of the situation, the MBS rebate number for telehealth without a pre-existing relationship will not be able to be used once the new direction comes into force on Saturday night, as there will be no restriction on movement of people, a requirement for the MBS item. We encourage telehealth usage as much as possible at this point in time. This is very frustrating when no doubt patients have been booked in next week.

CDCB Phone Line

If you are wishing to contact CDCB please use this number, there is a dedicated option for Medical Officers - 1300 232 272

New COVID-19 cases

There have been three new cases of COVID-19 today all are linked to the Parafield Cluster.

South Australia COVID-19 Update

- 3 new cases
- 37 active COVID-19 cases
- 14,459 tests yesterday
- 631,458 tests in total
- 553 confirmed cases in total
- 512 people have recovered from COVID-19
- 4 COVID-19 related deaths

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