



Building & Construction Industry COVID-19 Update Monday 3 May 2021

Update on Positive Cases & News Round Up

There are currently 21 active cases of returning travellers in hotel quarantine in Victoria – no new positives.

The Department of Health website is listing public exposure sites for three states in Australia where positive cases have been recorded. In Western Australia a quarantine guard and flat mates have tested positive, but a further lockdown was avoided. Queensland has sites listed for Brisbane International Airport and Victoria for the remaining days of the Melbourne Airport arrival case on 23 April.

The New Zealand travel 'bubble' for Australians is still in place despite a breach of the protocols when a Cook Islander arriving in Perth who had not quarantined before leaving Auckland. There are several locations of interest for people who may be concerned at <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-health-advice-public/contact-tracing-covid-19/covid-19-contact-tracing-locations-interest>

Most will have seen the media releases late last week from the Victorian government about a proposed 500 bed quarantine hub at Mickleham which would operate similar to the Howard Springs facility in NT. A detailed business case has been provided to the Federal government to fund its construction, with the state government committing \$15M for establishment costs. A final decision will be made in September.

Vaccinations

The following vaccination centres will be open to the eligible public from **TODAY - 3 May**. This now includes persons aged over 50 who can have the Astra Zeneca vaccine.

In addition to high-volume vaccination centres at the Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, the former Ford Factory, the Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital, Sunshine Hospital and Mercure Ballarat, Bendigo Hospital,

- Latrobe Regional Hospital – Traralgon Racecourse
- Albury Wodonga Health – Wodonga Community vaccination clinic
- GV Health – Shepparton Showgrounds, McIntosh Centre
- Eastern Health – Box Hill
- Eastern Health – Ringwood East Community Clinic*
- Northern Health – Epping
- Monash Health – Monash Medical Centre*
- Monash Health – Dandenong*
- Monash Health – Kingston*
- Monash Health – Moorabbin*
- St John of God Hospital – Berwick*
- Peninsula Health - Rosebud Hospital*
- Peninsula Health – Frankston*
- Austin Health – Olivia Newton John Centre*

A new high-volume vaccination centre located at the Cranbourne Turf Club will also open 4 May. Phone bookings are strongly encouraged at all sites allowing walk-ins.

A number of these open access centres will offer a clear pathway to the Pfizer vaccine strictly for those eligible to receive it. The Pfizer vaccine is supply limited and prioritised for eligible people under the age of 50 in phase 1a and 1b of the Commonwealth's program, in line with advice from ATAGI.

QR Codes

The 'grace period' for employers to use the Victorian government's QR Code service, or use IT providers connected to the government's Visitation API ceased on 30 April. The following IT providers, thankfully many of which are in use in the building and construction industry, were approved and connected to the Department of Health:

- 1Breadcrumb
- COVID Comply
- CovidPass
- DQ Guest Check In
- GuestTrack
- Hammertech
- LinkSafe
- Mr Yum
- MyGuestlist
- Passtab
- RapidGlobal
- Sign in Safe
- SignOnSite
- Sine Group
- VisitUs

India

This is what a second wave can look like. Devastating.



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