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14 October 2021

Dear Resident

We are finishing up our first week back in Parliament today after a three month pause during the lockdown. For the first time since the NSW Parliament was established in 1856, we are running a hybrid model where some MPs attend virtually from their electorate offices, while others, like me, are physically based in Parliament. It has been a big exercise and a successful one too!

I made a speech in the Parliament acknowledging that the pandemic lockdown period had a major and deep impact on our local school communities. Despite the challenges of remote learning, changing health advice and COVID safety requirements, remarkably, they got through it together. I thanked them all for their commitment to our young people, their patience and goodwill.



This COVID-19 update includes information on more NSW Dine & Discover vouchers and additional support for small and medium businesses as they reopen with the easing of restrictions. The 'Reducing Social Isolation for Seniors' and 'Local Sports Grant' programs are now open for applications with details below.

The daily COVID-19 health update is below as well as our local COVID-19 statistics and testing clinics.



I want to pay tribute to the late Eddie Jaku OAM, a local resident and Holocaust survivor, who passed away this week at 101 years of age. Eddie was my first tour guide at the Sydney Jewish Museum which I remember so vividly. He will be profoundly missed as a person who found joy in everything life has to offer. I send my deep condolences to his family.

Kind regards

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#### **MORE DINE & DISCOVER VOUCHERS FOR NSW RESIDENTS**

NSW residents are entitled to [receive two more NSW Dine & Discover vouchers as part of an additional \\$250 million investment to help businesses recover](#). Residents can receive one more of each voucher to use until the end of June 2022. NSW residents aged 18 years and over who are yet to apply will be able to do and receive all six \$25 vouchers. Participating businesses do not need to reapply and more information will be available shortly on the Service NSW website.



#### **EXTRA SUPPORT FOR SMALL BUSINESSES FOR REOPENING**

Under the new SME Summer Holiday Stock Guarantee, eligible businesses with an annual turnover between \$75,000 and \$50 million will be able to apply for a grant of up to \$20,000 to compensate for loss of perishable stock, or claim \$10,000 for reduced capacity to sell non-perishable items if they are impacted by a local lockdown.

The Small Business Fees and Charges Rebate has now been extended until 30 June 2022. The Rebate is being increased from \$1,500 to \$2,000 and businesses can now claim road user tolls. More information on both programs [here](#).

#### **TRAINING COURSES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES TO SELL TO GOVERNMENT**

[The NSW Small Business Commission has collaborated with TAFE NSW](#) to deliver four online courses and a written guide to help small businesses understand the tendering and contract processes for the NSW Government. The training courses include 'Getting Business Ready', 'Finding Opportunities', 'Selling to Government' and 'Successful Supplying' and can be accessed [here](#).

#### **\$66 MILLION ALFRESCO RESTART PACKAGE FOR BUSINESSES**

[NSW is supporting the establishment of new outdoor entertainment and dining precincts](#) across NSW by providing 5,000 hospitality businesses with a \$5,000 grant to start outdoor dining. Businesses will also be able to host outdoor dining on privately-owned bowling greens and carparks that they own.

#### **GRANTS TO KEEP SENIORS CONNECTED**

[Round two of the Reducing Social Isolation for Seniors Grant Program](#) will provide grants of up to \$60,000 to fund activities which keep seniors active. Applications close on Monday, 15 November 2021 for new and existing programs that promote seniors' social inclusion.

#### **LOCAL SPORTS GRANTS OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS**

Applications for grant applications of up to \$15,000 can now be made under the Local Sports Grant Program in the categories of sport development projects, community sports events, sport

access projects and facility development. Applications close on 19 November 2021 and more information is available [here](#).

### COVID-19 STATISTICS FOR THE VAUCLUSE ELECTORATE

Source: [NSW Government Website](#) (accessed at 3:40pm 14 October 2021).

State-wide vaccination rates can be viewed [here](#).

Post Code	Suburbs	Active COVID Cases	Vaccination Rate (1st dose/2nd dose)
2030	Watsons Bay, Dover Heights, Vaucluse, Rose Bay North	3	90%+ / 70-80%
2029	Rose Bay	1	90%+ / 70-80%
2028	Double Bay	2	70-80% / 50-60%
2027	Point Piper, Darling Point, Edgecliff	0	80-90% / 60-70%
2026	Bondi, Bondi Beach, North Bondi	23	70-80% / 50-60%
2025	Woollahra	2	80-90% / 60-70%
2023	Bellevue Hill	0	80-90% / 60-70%
2022	Bondi Junction, Queens Park	2	80-90% / 60-70%

The daily NSW Health COVID-19 update is below and the Service NSW Hotline on 13 77 88 is still available 24/7 to support you with COVID related enquiries.



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### NSW PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT - COVID-19 STATISTICS

NSW recorded 406 new locally acquired cases of COVID-19 in the 24 hours to 8pm last night.

One new case was acquired overseas, and nine previously reported cases have been excluded following further investigation. The total number of cases in NSW since the beginning of the pandemic is 70,202.

Sadly, NSW Health is reporting the deaths of six people - three women and three men.

Two people were in their 60s, two people were in their 80s, and two people were in their 90s.

Two people were from south western Sydney, one person was from Wollongong, one person was from the Nepean area, one person was from western Sydney, and one person was from south eastern Sydney.

Three people were not vaccinated, two people had received one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, and one person had received two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine.



A man in his 90s died at the Hawkesbury Living Aged Care Facility in Richmond, where he acquired his infection. He had received two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine and had underlying health conditions. There are now seven deaths linked to an outbreak at this facility.

A man in his 60s from south western Sydney died at Campbelltown Hospital where he acquired his infection. He was not vaccinated and had underlying health conditions. There are now five deaths linked to an outbreak at this hospital.

NSW Health extends its sincere condolences to their loved ones.

There have been 454 COVID-19 related deaths in NSW since 16 June 2021 and 510 in total since the start of the pandemic.

There have been 64,522 locally acquired cases reported since 16 June 2021, when the first case in this outbreak was reported.

There are currently 711 COVID-19 cases admitted to hospital, with 143 people in intensive care, 75 of whom require ventilation.

There were 85,133 COVID-19 tests reported to 8pm last night, compared with the previous day's total of 105,508.

NSW Health administered 19,313 COVID-19 vaccines in the 24 hours to 8pm last night.

Across NSW, 91.1 per cent of people aged 16 and over have received a first dose of COVID-19 vaccine, and 76.5 per cent are fully vaccinated to 11.59pm on Tuesday 12 October 2021.

In the 12-15 year old age group, 71 per cent have had their first dose, and 23.3 per cent are fully vaccinated.

The total number of vaccines administered in NSW is now 11,293,208 with 3,836,640 doses administered by NSW Health to 8pm last night and 7,456,568 administered by the GP network, pharmacies and other providers.

Of the 406 locally acquired cases reported to 8pm last night, 103 are from Hunter New England Local Health District (LHD), 62 are from South Western Sydney LHD, 61 are from Western Sydney LHD, 53 are from Sydney LHD, 31 are from South Eastern Sydney LHD, 24 are from Nepean Blue Mountains LHD, 22 are from Illawarra Shoalhaven LHD, 18 are from Central Coast LHD, nine are from Northern Sydney LHD, eight are from Western NSW LHD, three are from Mid North Coast LHD, three are from Northern NSW LHD, two are from Murrumbidgee LHD, two are from Southern NSW LHD, one is from Far West LHD, one is in a correctional setting, and three are yet to be assigned to an LHD.

NSW Health's ongoing sewage surveillance program has detected fragments of the virus that causes COVID-19 in sewage samples collected from across NSW including Wentworth, Jerilderie, Lake Cargelligo, Quirindi and Lightning Ridge.

Everyone in these areas is urged to monitor for the onset of symptoms, and if they appear, to immediately be tested and isolate until a negative result is received.

If you are directed to [get tested](#) for COVID-19 or [self-isolate](#) at any time, you must follow the [rules](#) whether or not the venue or exposure setting is listed on the NSW Health website.

It remains vital that anyone who has any symptoms or is a close or casual contact of a person with COVID-19, isolates and is tested immediately. When testing clinics are busy, please ensure you stay in line, identify yourself to staff and tell them that you have symptoms or are a contact of a case.

Please check the [NSW Government website](#) regularly, and follow the relevant health advice if you have attended a venue of concern or travelled on a public transport route at the same time

as a confirmed case of COVID-19. This list is being updated regularly as case investigations proceed.

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### **COVID-19 TESTING CLINICS**

Residents are encouraged to get tested when they have even the mildest of symptoms. Here are some testing clinics in the local area with private testing also available via GPs:

- **Rushcutters Bay Park Pop-up Clinic**, New Beach Road, Sir David Martin Reserve, Darling Point (8am-6pm 7 days)
- **Rose Bay drive-through Laverty Pathology**, Lyne Park, Vickery Avenue Car Park, Rose Bay (8am-6pm 7 days)
- **Bondi Beach drive-through Clinic**, Entry on junction of Campbell Parade and Beach Road (7:30am-9pm Mon-Sun and changing to 7:30am-6pm from 18 October).
- **Bondi Junction Laverty Pathology drive-through and walk-through Clinic**, Level 2 carpark, 34 Waverley Street, Bondi Junction (8am-6pm 7 days)
- **Bondi Junction Respiratory Clinic**, 47 Spring Street, Bondi Junction (9am-5:20pm Mon-Sat - [Appointments required](#))
- **Bondi Junction 4Cyte Pathology Walk-in Clinic**, 50 Bronte Road, Bondi Junction (8am-6pm 7 days)
- **St Vincent's clinic at the East Sydney Community Centre**, 34-40 Burton Street, Darlinghurst (8am-8pm 7 days)
- **Prince of Wales Hospital**, Building 14B Avoca Street, Randwick (9am-8pm 7 days)

To view all NSW COVID-19 clinics, please click [here](#).

**[Information on NSW Public Health Orders and restrictions](#)**

**[Information on COVID-19 Vaccination in NSW](#)**

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