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The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP
Member for Vaucluse



9 July 2021

Dear Resident

The NSW Premier released the following statement today regarding [current COVID-19 stay at home orders](#):

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STATEMENT FROM GLADYS BEREJKLIAN AND BRAD HAZZARD

Given the growing number of infectious cases in the community and unlinked cases of community transmission, COVID-19 restrictions will be tightened across Greater Sydney including the Central Coast, Blue Mountains, Wollongong and Shellharbour.

From 5pm today (Friday, 9 July) the following additional restrictions will be in place:

- Outdoor public gatherings limited to two people (excluding members of the same household);
- People must stay in their Local Government Area or within 10kms of home for exercise and outdoor recreation, with no carpooling between non-household members;
- Browsing in shops is prohibited, plus only one person per household, per day may leave the home for shopping;
- Funerals limited to ten people in total (this will take effect from Sunday, 11 July).

The four reasons to leave your home remain in place:

- Shopping for food or other essential goods and services (one person only);
- Medical care or compassionate needs (only one visitor can enter another residence to fulfil carers' responsibilities or provide care or assistance, or for compassionate reasons);
- Exercise with no more than 2 (unless members of the same household);
- Essential work, or education, where you cannot work or study from home.

Restrictions in regional NSW will remain unchanged.

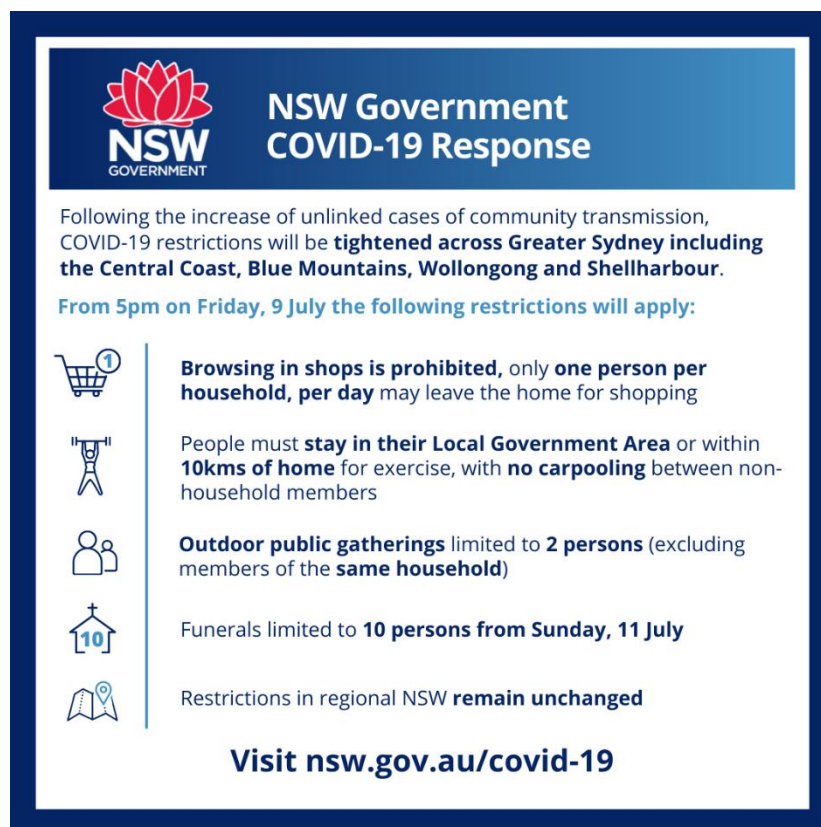
These tightened restrictions are based on health advice from the Chief Health Officer Dr Kerry Chant.

They are necessary due to the increasing number of unlinked cases in the community.

We understand this is a difficult time for the community and businesses. We thank them for their understanding and patience.

High testing numbers are key to finding unrecognised chains of transmission in the community, so please continue to come forward for a COVID-19 test, even if you have the mildest of symptoms.

For the latest information visit www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19








The poster features the NSW Government logo (a red lotus flower above the text 'NSW GOVERNMENT') and the title 'NSW Government COVID-19 Response'. Below the title, it states: 'Following the increase of unlinked cases of community transmission, COVID-19 restrictions will be **tightened across Greater Sydney including the Central Coast, Blue Mountains, Wollongong and Shellharbour.**' It then specifies: 'From 5pm on Friday, 9 July the following restrictions will apply:'. A list of restrictions follows, each with an icon: a shopping cart with a '1' for 'Browsing in shops is prohibited, only **one person per household, per day** may leave the home for shopping'; a person with a '10' for 'People must **stay in their Local Government Area** or within **10kms of home** for exercise, with **no carpooling** between non-household members'; two people for 'Outdoor public gatherings limited to **2 persons** (excluding members of the **same household**)'; a church with a '10' for 'Funerals limited to **10 persons from Sunday, 11 July**'; and a map of NSW for 'Restrictions in regional NSW **remain unchanged**'. At the bottom, it says 'Visit nsw.gov.au/covid-19'.

NSW Government
COVID-19 Response

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-  Funerals limited to **10 persons from Sunday, 11 July**
-  Restrictions in regional NSW **remain unchanged**

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Looking after our mental health, along with that of our friends and family, during this time is vital. Here are the details for services to assist:

Look after your mental health

If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, **call Triple Zero (000)** or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.

The following are free services available 24 hours a day, seven days a week:

- **Lifeline Australia:** 13 11 14 or <https://www.lifeline.org.au/>
A crisis support service that provides short term support at any time for people who are having difficulty coping or staying safe.
- **Beyond Blue:** 1300 224 636 or <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>
Available by phone or online via chat or email, to provide support on a range of mental health issues.
- **MensLine Australia:** 1300 78 9978 or <https://mensline.org.au/>
A telephone and online counselling service for men.
- **Kids Helpline:** 1800 551800 or <https://www.kidshelpline.com.au/>
A free, private and confidential 24/7 phone and online counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25 years.
- **NSW Mental Health Line:** 1800 011 511
Mental health crisis telephone service in NSW.



A message from NSW Health

The NSW Government today also announced scholarships to support 80 new school counsellors and psychologists. Three different scholarships are available with applications closing at 11:59pm Sunday 10 October 2021. More information is [here](#).

NSW Health's daily COVID-19 statistics update is below and you can check the full list of COVID-affected venues [here](#).

Kind regards



9 July 2021

NSW PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT - COVID-19 STATISTICS

NSW recorded 44 new locally acquired cases of COVID-19 in the 24 hours to 8pm last night.

Of these locally acquired cases, 35 are linked to a known case or cluster – 25 are household contacts and 10 are close contacts – and the source of infection for 9 cases remains under investigation.

Ten cases were in isolation throughout their infectious periods and eight cases were in isolation for part of their infectious period. Nineteen cases were infectious in the community and seven cases remain under investigation.

One new overseas-acquired case was recorded in the same period. The total number of cases in NSW since the beginning of the pandemic is 5,920.

There have been 439 locally acquired cases reported since 16 June 2021, when the first case of the Bondi cluster was reported.

There are now 285 cases directly linked to known cases in the Bondi cluster. There are 37 cases that have not been directly linked to a known case or cluster, with a further 117 who are linked to these 37 unlinked cases.

There are currently 43 COVID-19 cases admitted to hospital, with 10 people in intensive care, four of whom require ventilation.

There were 42,152 tests reported to 8pm last night, compared with the previous day's total of 39,733.

NSW Health administered 21,609 COVID-19 vaccines in the 24 hours to 8pm last night, including 7,136 at the vaccination centre at Sydney Olympic Park.

The total number of vaccines administered in NSW is now 2,577,813, with 1,004,162 doses administered by NSW Health to 8pm last night and 1,573,651 administered by the GP network and other providers to 11.59pm on Wednesday 7 July 2021.

Of the 44 locally acquired cases reported to 8pm last night, 21 are from south-west Sydney, eight are from south-east Sydney and seven are from western Sydney. Transmission in these areas continues to be of great concern.

Four further cases have been recorded to 8pm last night linked to a gathering at the Meriton Suites Waterloo on Saturday 26 June. These cases were contacts of people who attended the gathering and bring the total number of cases linked to this venue to 25.

One new case to 8pm last night is a non-clinical staff member at Waratah Private Hospital in Hurstville who worked for two days while infectious, on Monday 5 and Tuesday 6 July.

Urgent investigations and contact tracing are under way. All affected patients still in hospital are isolating at the hospital in single rooms. All patients have tested negative to date.

Staff are wearing full PPE while caring for these patients. Other close contacts, including patients who have been discharged, are being contacted.

Due to the current stay-at-home order, there were no visitors to the hospital during the exposure period other than those given exemptions to attend for end-of-life visits.

Additionally, NSW Health is undertaking contact tracing for all businesses who use the hospital building to identify anyone who may have come into contact with the non-clinical staff member with COVID-19.

One new case is linked to IKEA in Tempe on 6 July. Anyone who attended IKEA Tempe on 6 July from 10am – 9pm is a close contact and must immediately get tested and isolate for 14 days, regardless of the result, and call 1800 943 553 unless they have already been contacted by NSW Health. NSW Health can advise that there are about 2,000 close contacts now linked to this exposure.

NSW Health is reminding the community of a number of new venues of concern, which were included in a public health alert last night.

Anyone who attended the following venues at the times listed is a close contact and must immediately get tested and isolate for 14 days, regardless of the result, and call 1800 943 553 unless they have already been contacted by NSW Health:

- **BURWOOD** - Kathmandu Burwood, Shop 353/100 Burwood Road on Sunday 4 July from 12:35pm to 1:00pm.
- **BURWOOD** - Mehfil North Indian Cuisine, Westfield Burwood Shopping Centre on Sunday 4 July from 1:05pm to 1:10pm

- **WETHERILL PARK** - Beds R US, Wetherill Park on Monday 5 July from 2pm to 2:30pm
- **SMITHFIELD** - Oregano's Lebanese Bakery and Cafe - 1/693 The Horsley Drive Smithfield on Monday 5 July from 2pm to 2:30pm
- **MERRYLANDS** - Sadaqat Supermarket, 6 Memorial Ave Merrylands on Monday 5 July from 1:30pm to 2pm
- **MERRYLANDS** - Australia Post Office Merrylands on Monday 5 July from 2pm to 3pm
- **MERRYLANDS** - Aldi, 201 Pitt Street, Merrylands on Monday 5 July from 2pm to 3pm
- **MERRYLANDS** - Kmart Merrylands, 1 McFarlane St Merrylands on Monday 5 July 1:30pm to 3:30pm
- **AUBURN** - Auburn Fresh City Fruit & Vegetables - 67-69 Auburn Road on Monday 5 July from 3:30pm to 4:30pm
- **AUBURN** - Sahar Market, 1/62 Auburn Road on Monday 5 July from 3:30pm to 4:30pm
- **AUBURN** - New Star Kebabs - 15 Auburn Road, Auburn on Monday 5 July on 3:30pm to 4:30pm.

Anyone who lives or works in or around these areas is asked to be particularly vigilant for any symptoms that could signal COVID-19, and if they appear, immediately get tested and isolate until they receive a negative result.

NSW Health's ongoing sewage surveillance program has detected traces of the virus that causes COVID-19 at a number of locations around Sydney. The detection at Boronia Park, Bateau Bay and Port Kembla sewage treatment plant is of particular concern. While these areas have had known cases in recent times we still need the community to be vigilant.

The Boronia Park catchment covers about 120,000 people in suburbs including Melrose Park, Camellia, Northmead, Constitution Hill, North Parramatta, Telopea, Denistone, Denistone West, Dundas Valley, Dundas, Carlingford, Oatlands, North Rocks, Ermington, Parramatta, Baulkham Hills, Rydalmere, Winston Hills, Woolwich, Huntleys Point, Huntleys Cove, Henley, East Ryde, Meadowbank, Gladesville, Tennyson Point, Putney, Hunters Hill, Denistone East, Ryde, Eastwood, West Ryde.

The Bateau Bay catchment covers about 39,000 people in suburbs including Bateau Bay, Blue Bay, Killarney Vale, Long Jetty, Shelly Beach, The Entrance, The Entrance North, Toowoona Bay.

The Port Kembla catchment covers about 49,000 people in suburbs including Windang, Lake Heights, Cringila, Warrawong, Koonawarra, Brownsville, Dapto, Berkeley, Kanahooka, Horsley, Avondale, Cleveland, Unanderra, Kembla Grange, Primbee, Port Kembla.

Anyone who lives or works in or around these areas is asked to be particularly vigilant for any symptoms that could signal COVID-19, and if they appear, immediately get tested and isolate until they receive a negative result.

To keep our community safe, please follow NSW Health advice. 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.

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.

NSW Health is urging anyone with even the mildest of cold-like symptoms to be immediately tested and isolate until a negative result is received. If symptoms appear again, please be tested and isolate again.

There are more than 350 COVID-19 testing locations across NSW, many of which are open seven days a week. To find your nearest clinic visit [COVID-19 clinics](#) or contact your GP.

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:

- **Rushcutter's Bay Park Pop-up Clinic**, New Beach Road, Sir David Martin Reserve, Darling Point (8am-8pm 7 days)
- **Rose Bay drive-through Laverty Pathology**, Lyne Park, Vickery Avenue Car Park, Rose Bay (8am-10pm 7 days)
- **Bondi Beach drive-through Clinic**, Entry on junction of Campbell Parade and Beach Road (7:30am-10pm 7 days)
- **Bondi Junction Laverty Pathology drive-through and walk-through Clinic**, Level 2 carpark, 34 Waverley Street, Bondi Junction (8am-10pm 7 days)
- **Bondi Junction Respiratory Clinic**, 47 Spring Street, Bondi Junction (8am-11:45am Mon-Fri, 10am-3pm Saturday - [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-10pm 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

Information for NSW Businesses and Employees

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