

ANMF NEWSFLASH

COVID-19 Lock Down – Southern Tasmania

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmanian Branch (ANMF) were advised today that there will be a 3 - day lock down implemented in the southern region from 6pm Friday 15 October, till 6pm 18 Monday October 2021, following the arrival of a Delta COVID-19 positive case in Tasmania who subsequently left quarantine and has been in the community.

The exact areas and details with regard to the COVID-19 lockdown can be accessed via the Tasmanian Government COVID-19 website here: <u>https://www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au/families-community/covid-19-coronavirus-lockdown</u>

The ANMF have been advised that all ANMF members are considered essential workers, however, if you believe you are able to work from home on Monday, you should speak with your manager as soon as possible.

The hard lock down if you are not at work and are in one of the identified local government areas you may only leave the home for the following reasons:

You must stay at home, unless you are:

- Shopping for urgent household supplies within 5 km of home only one person from a household at any one time.
- Attending medical or health care appointments, including COVID-19 testing or vaccinations.
- A permitted worker a person working for a provider or business that is permitted to operate, and who cannot work from home.
- Going to school if the child of a permitted worker, or if unable to learn at home, or going to child care.
- Exercising once per day outdoors within 5 km of home for up to two hours alone or with your household or with one other person for safety reasons.
- Caring for a vulnerable person or for other compassionate reasons.
- In other permitted circumstances, such as in an emergency or to escape harm relating to family violence.

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In addition, for anyone leaving the home over the next three days, a mask will be required to work both indoor and outdoor including at work.

Public Health have also identified a further exposure site and details for this site and timeframes are available on the Tasmanian Government COVID-19 Website.

There are further details available via the Tasmanian Government COVID-19 Website regarding the lock down and ANMF encourage members to first seek the details via the website, the public health hotline via 1800 671 738 or via your manager.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Member Support Team on 1800 001 241. Alternatively, email <u>membersupport@anmftas.org.au</u>. Please note: Due to the COVID-19 situation, our Member Support Team are practicing social isolation and working from home. Bearing this in mind, email is the preferred and fastest way of contacting them.

Authorised by Emily Shepherd, ANMF Tasmanian Branch Secretary 15 October 2021

