

1 April 2020

## **COVID-19 UPDATE 10: WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL 2020**

### **Elective surgery update**

All non-emergency and non-urgent elective surgeries, treatments and procedures will be [cancelled](#) from 11.59 pm Wednesday 1 April 2020.

The only surgical treatment that may be performed is emergency surgery and procedures that are required to prevent the loss of life, loss of limb or permanent disability.

### **Tanunda COVID-19 drive-through testing facility**

A new COVID-19 drive-through [testing facility](#) opened today at Tanunda Memorial Hospital to assist with testing in the Barossa region, in addition to the [testing clinic](#) also located at Tanunda Hospital.

### **South Australia leads the country in testing**

More than 27,500 coronavirus tests have been conducted across 54 testing sites, with 48 located in regional South Australia.

SA has performed 15,000 tests per million of population, well ahead of Australia's average of 10,000 and ahead of overseas countries.

### **Additional contact tracing capacity in SA Health**

The Communicable Disease Control Branch's contact tracing team will be [boosted](#) by up to 300 additional staff, joining a team of around 140 experts, plus medical students who are assisting.

The additional staff will further improve our ability to contain the spread of coronavirus.

### **Emergency supply of medications**

Pharmacists will now be able to dispense an [emergency supply of essential medicines](#) without the need for a prescription during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA COVID-19 CASES

There have been 30 more confirmed cases of COVID-19 today – bringing the total to **367** in South Australia since 1 February 2020.

Investigation is ongoing into the cluster of cases identified yesterday at Adelaide Airport. There have been 11 cases identified in baggage handlers and another 2 secondary cases in family, taking the cluster to a total of 13 cases.

As a result, the [testing criteria](#) has been expanded. Anyone who is sick with symptoms of coronavirus and have been at the airport, including in the terminal or car park, in the last 14 days should present for testing.

SA Health is your trusted source for information on COVID-19. For more information visit our [website](#) and follow us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

[SA.GOV.AU](#) is a dedicated COVID-19 gateway, linking to relevant information on state and federal government websites.

[www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019)



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