## SA HEALTH – YOUR TRUSTED SOURCE OF COVID-19 INFORMATION

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# COVID-19 UPDATE 21: MONDAY 20 APRIL 2020

#### **Testing blitz update**

SA Pathology has undertaken and processed a record number of COVID-19 tests since the blitz began on Thursday 16 April.

Yesterday 968 tests were undertaken, which is a record for testing on a Sunday in South Australia.

There have been no new cases of COVID-19 reported in South Australia for three days.

Any South Australian who has a fever or respiratory systems consistent with COVID-19, no matter how mild, is encouraged to attend a COVID-19 clinic or their GP for assessment and testing.

### Fast track delivery of COVID-19 results

SA Pathology has launched a new <u>COVID-19 Digital Health Service</u> to streamline the delivery of negative COVID-19 test results, enabling patients to access results from a secure online platform.

Patients register their details through SMS and receive a text message alert when a negative test result is available online.

All results will be manually reviewed before they are entered into the portal to ensure accuracy. Patients who return a positive result will still be contacted personally to inform them.

It will initially be available at all metropolitan testing clinics and 8 regional clinics, with plans to roll it out across the state in the coming weeks.

#### **SOUTH AUSTRALIA COVID-19 CASES**

- > No new cases today
- > 435 confirmed cases in total

- > 369 people have recovered from COVID-19
- > Sadly, there have been 4 COVID-19 related deaths in SA to date
- > 2 South Australians are receiving care at the Royal Adelaide Hospital's Intensive Critical Care Unit

SA Health is your trusted source for information on COVID-19. For more information visit our <u>website</u> and follow us on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>.

<u>SA.GOV.AU</u> is a dedicated COVID-19 gateway, linking to relevant information on state and federal government websites.

View previous COVID-19 Updates here.

www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/COVID2019

