



COVID-19 UPDATE

COVID-19 Information from the SA Health GP Liaison

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Thank you to everyone in primary care for all that you're doing during the pandemic. Please email if you have any issues or concerns. And don't forget please test anyone who has symptoms, even mild. If you don't have PPE, please send your patient to a testing [clinic](#).

Border changes

From midnight last night the [direction](#) was updated so that anyone crossing the Victorian border, except essential travellers approved by SAPOL/SA Health, will be required to quarantine for 14 days. There have been so many questions coming in about this regarding family members who return home and stay with other members of the household. For information about self-isolation and self-quarantine for people arriving from Victoria, see the fact sheet [here](#). The person must be able to avoid contact with others and if this is not possible, then alternative accommodation should be considered. All essential travellers under schedule 2 are now required to wear a mask in South Australia for a period of 14 days when out in public.

Testing for those coming from Victoria

All travellers from Victoria will be given information on testing when crossing the border, including two referral forms for testing. Travellers will be requested to have a test within 24 hours of arrival and 12 days after arrival. Travellers can attend a drive through clinic or a COVID-19 clinic with their form. In addition, three surgical masks will be given to all travellers coming into the state.

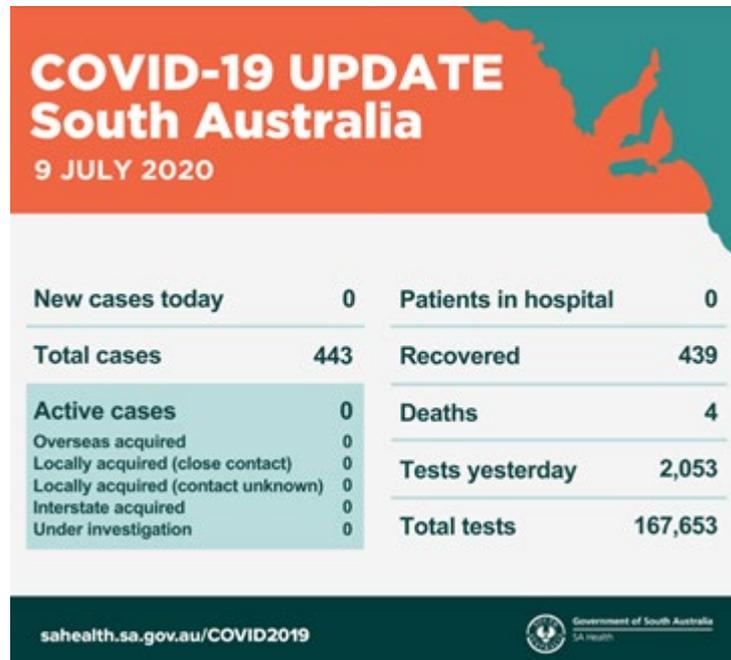
Communicating and Caring for Culturally & Linguistically Diverse Patients during COVID-19

The lessons learned from Victoria have highlighted that we need to have a stronger focus on the CALD community and ensure that testing and communication are meeting the needs of the community. Thank you to the Refugee Health Service and the various Medical Associations who have provided incredibly helpful suggestions. SA Health have developed a [survey](#) around resources, communication and testing for our CALD communities. It would be wonderful to have a primary care response as part of the survey, so please complete the [survey](#) by COB Tuesday 14th July.

International Passengers

We currently have over 500 passengers in hotel quarantine here in South Australia.

Checkout the SA Health [video](#) explaining hotel quarantine, which is shown in the arrivals hall of Adelaide Airport.



SA Health Website

The [Health Professionals COVID-19 resources](#)

Telephone numbers

SA COVID-19 Information line: 1800 253 787

SA COVID-19 Social and non-clinical support: 1300 705 336

SA COVID-19 Mental health support: 1800 632 753

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