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Increasing Access to COVID-19 Testing: North Eastern GP Respiratory Clinic Opens

The third Commonwealth-funded dedicated Respiratory Clinic has opened today in the north eastern metropolitan area to support the expansion of South Australia's COVID-19 testing criteria and boost local health system capacity.

The North Eastern Respiratory Clinic will support the assessment, testing and diagnosis of patients with mild to moderate respiratory symptoms.

The clinic's opening follows the recent commencement of Premier Steven Marshall's testing 'blitz' across the state; increasing the availability of testing services in the north-east and supporting the new recommendations to test anyone experiencing symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, or shortness of breath.

This is the third GP-led clinic to open across the Adelaide region; the Central Adelaide Respiratory Clinic was the first to open on Thursday 9 April followed by the Reynella Respiratory Clinic on Thursday 16 April.

Supported by Adelaide PHN, the Respiratory Clinics will complement the SA Health-funded testing services already operating across our region and help to reduce pressure on hospitals and frontline health workers.

People experiencing respiratory symptoms can book an appointment via the telephone or online. Patients will then be allocated an appointment to be assessed by a GP and can access onsite testing for COVID-19. Patients will be provided initial advice for any condition diagnosed, after which ongoing care will transition back to their usual GP if appropriate. All Respiratory Clinic services will be provided at no cost to the patient.

The Reynella Respiratory Clinic opens from today, Monday 20 April, with appointments available Monday to Friday between 8.30am and 5.30pm.

Book an appointment at a GP Respiratory Clinic [online via this link](#) or over the phone:

North Eastern Respiratory Clinic – 08 7089 5799

Reynella Respiratory Clinic - 0478 455 771

Central Adelaide Respiratory Clinic –0401 142 608

For more information, please see [Australian Government's Primary Care Respiratory Clinic factsheet](#).

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