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The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP
Member for Vaucluse



1 November 2021

Dear Resident

Further restrictions have been eased today with holidays to regional NSW allowed for the fully vaccinated. Booking caps for hospitality venues have been removed, along with hotel quarantine for returning vaccinated travellers. You can see the Premier's announcement on these changes below.

I've included information on vaccine booster shots that are now available in NSW, COVID case-location alerts that are available from the Service NSW app and air ventilation systems being installed in NSW schools for better airflow in learning spaces. Also included is information on free TAFE hospitality courses and new mental health initiatives being rolled out across NSW.



With helpers from Rose Bay Public School for 2020 Clean Up Australia Day

BeachWatch Report brings good news on our local water quality

I'm pleased to share the good news that all of our local swimming spots have been rated 'Good' and 'Very Good' in Beachwatch NSW's 2020-21 State of the Beaches report released yesterday.

Importantly, Rose Bay Beach has been upgraded to 'Good' after many years of rating 'Poor'. It's why I first set up the Rose Bay Beach Working Group in October 2017 to identify solutions to improve the water quality at the Beach. Thanks to local residents and Woollahra Council for working with me closely on this important local project! Find out more about our local results [here](#).

Today's daily health update is below as well as updated times for our local COVID-19 testing clinics, and local cases and vaccination rates.

Please contact me if I can be of assistance.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Perrottet', is positioned to the left of the main text block. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'G'.

Monday, 1 November 2021

NSW EMBRACES NOVEMBER 1 ROADMAP MILESTONE

Families and friends will be reunited as Aussies start arriving home in time for Christmas, with NSW reaching the November 1 roadmap milestone and restrictions further eased for the double-vaccinated.

From today, fully vaccinated residents can travel for holidays and recreation between Greater Sydney and regional NSW, bookings for hospitality venues are no longer capped and fully vaccinated travellers from overseas can enter NSW without having to quarantine, subject to Commonwealth border restrictions.

Premier Dominic Perrottet said November could not start in a more positive way with families and friends reuniting after so long apart.

“Today is a day many people have been waiting for and our high vaccination rates have allowed us to re-open in a safe and considered way,” Mr Perrottet said.

“Families and friends across NSW can now get together as well look forward to welcoming back home Australians who have been overseas trying to get home.”

The NSW Government has removed quarantine requirements and caps for overseas arrivals who the Commonwealth Government recognises as fully vaccinated with a TGA-approved vaccine. Fully vaccinated travellers already in quarantine will also complete their quarantine requirements on November 1, even if it is less than 14 days.

Overseas travellers who are not fully vaccinated must undergo managed 14-day hotel quarantine, and the cap will remain at 210 people per week.

Parents of Australian citizens and permanent residents can also travel to Australia from today, with applications made through the Department of Home Affairs [Travel Exemption Portal](#).

Deputy Premier Paul Toole said the easing of travel restrictions between Regional NSW and Greater Sydney would provide a huge boost to the state.

“Today is a great day for regional NSW. I know Sydneysiders are busting to head to the bush and we can’t wait to welcome them back with open arms and for families and friends to get the chance to reunite,” Mr Toole said.

“Around 82 per cent of the population in regional NSW has now been fully vaccinated - this an exceptional result and I want to thank every single person who has rolled up their sleeves so travel can resume and businesses can start to bounce back.”

Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney Stuart Ayres said it was time for Sydney to regain its title as the gateway to the nation with Australians coming home in time for Christmas.

“NSW is again open for business. People can come together in a safe way whether it be returning home from overseas or getting together for an end-of-year gathering at your favourite venue,” Mr Ayres said.

More than \$530 million has been invested in reviving events across the state and getting tourism back on track as part of the NSW Government’s COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan.

Health Minister Brad Hazzard said NSW was leading Australia out of the pandemic, with the state close to now reaching the 90 per cent double-dose vaccination rate.

“The people of NSW can be proud of our vaccination rate, and there’s no reason we can’t reach 95 per cent double-dose vaccination to help ensure we get on top of this pandemic,” Mr Hazzard said.

“NSW can be one of the highest vaccinated jurisdictions in the world.”

NSW residents across the state will still need to comply with COVID-Safe check-ins and provide proof of vaccination to staff in most settings.

To download a copy of your vaccination certificate visit [Services Australia website](#).

Please [book an appointment](#) for a COVID-19 vaccine as soon possible.

For the latest information and to view the November 1 Roadmap and lifting of restrictions, visit [nsw.gov.au](#).

VACCINE BOOSTER SHOTS AVAILABLE

[NSW Health state-run clinics will offer a booster dose, using the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine from today, Monday 1 November.](#) Booster shots will be available to people aged 18 years and older at least six months after receiving their second dose of any of the COVID-19 vaccines registered for use in Australia.

Booster doses will be available throughout the NSW Health vaccination clinic network, including the mass vaccination hubs at Sydney Olympic Park and Macquarie Fields in south-west Sydney. Bookings can be made [here](#).

COVID-19 CASE LOCATION ALERTS VIA SERVICE NSW APP

[Residents can now choose to receive phone notifications on COVID-19 case locations through the Service NSW app](#) so you are alerted to potential risks.

NSW SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE AIR VENTILATION SYSTEMS

[Following a comprehensive audit of all NSW public school learning spaces, almost 2,000 learning spaces are set to receive permanent automatic fresh air ventilation systems](#) to complement natural airflow. Temporary measures, including the use of air purifiers, have been put in place in these learning spaces to supplement natural ventilation.

FREE HOSPITALITY SKILLS TRAINING COURSES

[The NSW Government has introduced free training opportunities designed to help fill the skill shortages in the hospitality sector](#) with 3,000 free training places across 29 different courses now available to study at TAFE NSW.

To enrol in a free TAFE hospitality course, visit: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/skills-served-up>.

INNOVATIVE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT & SUICIDE PREVENTION INITIATIVES

[A \\$46 million investment in new suicide prevention initiatives across NSW will offer mental health support in two innovative ways.](#) The investment will deliver 20 calming non-clinical hubs called Safe Havens and 20 Suicide Prevention Outreach Teams (SPOTs).

The Safe Havens will provides support through Peer Support Teams who have had their own personal lived experience of suicidal distress. The mobile SPOT teams will provide rapid outreach to people in suicidal distress in the community.

Look after your mental health

If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, **call Triple Zero (000)** or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.

The following are free services available 24 hours a day, seven days a week:

- **Lifeline Australia:** 13 11 14 or <https://www.lifeline.org.au/>
A crisis support service that provides short term support at any time for people who are having difficulty coping or staying safe.
- **Beyond Blue:** 1300 224 636 or <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>
Available by phone or online via chat or email, to provide support on a range of mental health issues.
- **MensLine Australia:** 1300 78 9978 or <https://mensline.org.au/>
A telephone and online counselling service for men.
- **Kids Helpline:** 1800 551800 or <https://www.kidshelpline.com.au/>
A free, private and confidential 24/7 phone and online counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25 years.
- **NSW Mental Health Line:** 1800 011 511
Mental health crisis telephone service in NSW.



A message from NSW Health

COVID-19 STATISTICS FOR THE VAUCLUSE ELECTORATE

Source: [NSW Government Website](#) (accessed at 1:20pm 1 November 2021).

State-wide vaccination rates can be viewed [here](#).

Post Code	Suburbs	Active COVID Cases	Vaccination Rate (1st dose/2nd dose) 15y.o+
2030	Watsons Bay, Dover Heights, Vaucluse, Rose Bay North	0	90%+ / 80-90%
2029	Rose Bay	0	90%+ / 90%+
2028	Double Bay	2	70-80% / 70-80%
2027	Point Piper, Darling Point, Edgecliff	4	80-90% / 80-90%
2026	Bondi, Bondi Beach, North Bondi	15	80-90% / 70-80%
2025	Woollahra	2	80-90% / 70-80%
2023	Bellevue Hill	1	80-90% / 80-90%
2022	Bondi Junction, Queens Park	15	80-90% / 80-90%



Health

1 November 2021

NSW PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT - COVID-19 STATISTICS

NSW recorded 135 new locally acquired cases of COVID-19 in the 24 hours to 8pm last night.

No new cases were acquired overseas, and one new case was acquired interstate. Seven cases have been excluded following further investigation, bringing the total number of cases in NSW since the beginning of the pandemic to 75,218.

Sadly, NSW Health is today reporting the deaths of four people with COVID-19, two men and two women.

Two people, a man in his 70s and a woman aged 101, acquired their infections at the Mercy Place aged care facility in Albury. They were both fully vaccinated and had underlying health conditions. There have now been five deaths linked to an outbreak at this aged care facility.

A man in his 60s who died at Concord Hospital acquired his infection at Parklea Correctional Centre. He was not vaccinated and had underlying health conditions.

A woman in her 60s from south east Sydney died at Prince of Wales Hospital. She was not vaccinated and had underlying health conditions.

NSW Health expresses its sincere condolences to their loved ones.

There have been 518 COVID-19 related deaths in NSW since 16 June 2021 and 574 in total since the start of the pandemic.

There have been 69,526 locally acquired cases reported since 16 June 2021, when the first case in this outbreak was reported.

There are currently 349 COVID-19 cases admitted to hospital, with 77 people in intensive care, 33 of whom require ventilation.

There were 62,857 COVID-19 tests reported to 8pm last night, compared with the previous day's total of 75,378.

To 11:59pm on Saturday 30 October 2021 across NSW, 93.6 per cent of people aged 16 and over had received a first dose of COVID-19 vaccine, and 87.7 per cent were fully vaccinated.

In the 12-15 year old age group, 79.3 per cent have had their first dose, and 61.8 per cent are fully vaccinated.

The total number of vaccines administered in NSW is now 12,329,131 with 4,050,714 doses administered by NSW Health to 8pm last night and 8,278,417 administered by the GP network, pharmacies and other providers to 11:59pm on Saturday 30 October 2021.

Of the 135 locally acquired cases reported to 8pm last night, 30 are from Hunter New England Local Health District (LHD), 26 are from Murrumbidgee LHD, 23 are from South Western Sydney LHD, 14 are from Mid North Coast LHD, 11 are from Sydney LHD, nine are from Western Sydney LHD, five are from Southern NSW LHD, three are from Illawarra Shoalhaven LHD, three are from Nepean Blue Mountains LHD, two are from Northern Sydney LHD, two are from South Eastern Sydney LHD, two are from Western NSW LHD, one is from Central Coast LHD, one is from Far West NSW LHD and three are from correctional settings.

NSW Health state-run clinics are now offering a booster dose, using the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, to individuals aged 18 and over.

This booster shot will help people maintain a high level of protection against the COVID-19 virus, including the Delta variant.

People aged 18 years and older may receive a booster at least six months after receiving their second dose of any of the COVID-19 vaccines registered for use in Australia.

From today, with fully vaccinated international travellers returning to the country without quarantine, regional travel, and other restrictions easing - it's more important than ever to continue our COVID-19 safe behaviours.

It is vital that anyone who has any symptoms of COVID-19 is tested immediately and isolates.

It is critical that we maintain high testing rates, particularly in the regions, including in areas where there are no cases. Testing allows us to know where the virus may be circulating and gives us the ability to get any potential outbreaks under control as quickly as possible.

If you haven't received a COVID-19 vaccination yet, please don't delay. Even if you have had COVID-19 and recovered, you should get vaccinated.

In this phase of the pandemic, the onus is on every one of us to keep each other safe, especially our most vulnerable.

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If you are directed to [get tested](#) for COVID-19 or [self-isolate](#) at any time, you must follow the [rules](#) whether or not the venue or exposure setting is listed on the NSW Health website.

It remains vital that anyone who has any symptoms or is a close or casual contact of a person with COVID-19, isolates and is tested immediately.

Please check the [NSW Government website](#) regularly, and follow the relevant health advice if you have attended a venue of concern or travelled on a public transport route at the same time as a confirmed case of COVID-19. This list is updated regularly as case investigations proceed.

There are more than 500 COVID-19 testing locations across NSW, many of which are open seven days a week. To find your nearest clinic visit [COVID-19 clinics](#) or contact your GP.

COVID-19 TESTING CLINICS

Residents are encouraged to get tested when they have even the mildest of symptoms. Here are some testing clinics in the local area with private testing also available via GPs:

- **Bondi Junction Respiratory Clinic**, 47 Spring Street, Bondi Junction (9am-5:20pm Mon-Sat - [Appointments required](#))
- **Bondi Junction Laverty Pathology drive-through and walk-through Clinic**, Level 2 carpark, 34 Waverley Street, Bondi Junction (8am-6pm 7 days)
- **Bondi Junction 4Cyte Pathology Walk-in Clinic**, 50 Bronte Road, Bondi Junction (8am-6pm 7 days)
- **Rose Bay drive-through Laverty Pathology**, Lyne Park, Vickery Avenue Car Park, Rose Bay (8am-6pm 7 days)
- **Bondi Beach drive-through Clinic**, Entry on junction of Campbell Parade and Beach Road (7:30am-6pm 7 days).
- **St Vincent's clinic at the East Sydney Community Centre**, 34-40 Burton Street, Darlinghurst (8am-4:30pm 7 days)
- **Prince of Wales Hospital**, Building 14B Avoca Street, Randwick (9am-8pm 7 days)

To view all NSW COVID-19 clinics, please click [here](#).

[Information on NSW Public Health Orders and restrictions](#)

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