



Government of Western Australia Department of Health

# Clinician alert #41 – all clinicians

Effective from 1 January 2021

## **New information**

• As of 12:01am 01 January 2021, Victoria is deemed a medium risk state.

## Information for arrivals from Victoria

- Travellers who have entered WA after 12:01am on 21 December 2020 and up until 12:01am on 01 January 2021 and have been in Victoria after 12:01am on 21 December, must selfquarantine for 14 days from the date of their arrival and present for testing on Day 11 after their arrival and at any time if they develop symptoms.
- Travellers who have entered WA after 12:01am on 01 January 2021 and have been in Victoria after 12.01am on 21 December and within the 14 days prior to the time the person enters WA, must self-quarantine, present for testing on arrival at Perth airport or within 48 hours of their arrival, and present for a further test on Day 11 after their arrival into WA.

A <u>COVID-19 Victoria Travellers Fact sheet</u> and <u>Victoria Arrivals Frequently Asked Questions</u> are available online. Refer to <u>HealthyWA</u> for information on metropolitan and regional testing locations for arrivals from NSW and Victoria.

### Information for healthcare workers (HCWs)

Advice for people (including HCWs) who have **not** been to Victoria but who have been in contact with people who have arrived from Victoria from 21 December 2020:

- Unless the Victorian arrivals are identified as close contacts of a case, people who have a Victoria arrival in self-quarantine staying at their residence can go about their normal routine including going to work (this includes HCWs).
- Asymptomatic COVID-19 testing is not required for people in WA who have been in contact with Victorian arrivals. This includes HCWs who have a Victorian arrival in self-quarantine at their home residence or HCWs who may have been in contact with patients who have been in Victoria.
- Victorian arrivals should check the <u>Victorian Department of Health and Human Services</u> website regularly for information about possible exposure to confirmed cases on the relevant dates. If they have been to any of those locations then they should contact PHEOC on 1300 316 555 (8am-5pm, 7 days a week) or 13 268 43 out of hours for further advice.
- If a Victorian arrival develops symptoms of COVID-19 whilst in quarantine, then any household residents who are not already in quarantine (including HCWs) should quarantine until COVID-19 test results of the Victorian arrival are known.

### SARS-CoV-2 testing

Refer to the <u>Testing Criteria for SARS-CoV-2 in Western Australia</u> for the most up to date testing requirements.

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