

Wednesday, 6 October 2021

## **ISLHD COVID-19 update**

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District (ISLHD) confirms 51 local residents have tested positive to COVID-19 in the 24 hours to 8pm last night.

Of the new cases:

- 42 are from the Wollongong Local Government Area (LGA) - 14 are linked to known cases  
Postcodes - 2500 (5 cases), 2502 (5), 2505 (1), 2506 (5) 2515 (1), 2517 (2), 2518 (4), 2519 (2), 2525 (8), 2526 (1), 2530 (8)
- 5 are from the Shellharbour LGA - 4 are linked to known cases  
Postcodes – 2527 (4), 2529 (1)
- 4 are from the Shoalhaven LGA - 1 are linked to a known cases  
Postcodes – 2535 (1) 2540 (1), 2541 (2)
- There are no new cases from the Kiama LGA

Sadly, a man in his 70s from the Wollongong LGA died at Wollongong Hospital. He had underlying health conditions. ISLHD extends sincere condolences to his family.

There have now been 1843 local cases of COVID-19 in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District since the start of the current outbreak in June.

As at 8pm Monday, 4 October there were 40 COVID-19 patients being treated in hospital.

There were more than 33,600 COVID-19 tests carried out in the Illawarra Shoalhaven for the week ending Sunday, 3 October.

Venues are posted daily on the [District's Facebook page](#) and a full list of all exposure sites in NSW is available on the [NSW Health case locations web page](#).

The community is reminded to remain vigilant for symptoms and get tested if any appear, no matter how mild. Symptoms include cold or flu-like symptoms such as fever, sore throat, cough or shortness of breath. People with mild symptoms, such as fatigue, new muscle aches or pains, a change in taste or smell or a new runny nose, should also arrange testing as quickly as possible.

High rates of testing are critical to detecting transmission and preventing further spread of COVID-19 in the community.

There are a number of COVID-19 testing clinics across the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District. Visit the [District's website](#) for a full list and updated opening hours and times. There are also more than 500 COVID-19 testing locations across NSW – visit the [NSW Government website](#) for details.

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District urges the community to continue to come forward for vaccination as soon as possible (unless you are a case, contact of a case, isolating or have symptoms).

Everyone in Australia aged 12 and over can receive a COVID-19 vaccination and there are more than 200 NSW vaccination clinics and outreach locations across the state in addition to GPs and pharmacists. Find a clinic and make a booking online via the [COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Finder](#).