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ISLHD COVID-19 update

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District (ISLHD) is continuing to urge the community to get vaccinated and come forward for testing, after recording 15 positive COVID-19 cases in the 24 hours to 8pm last night.

Of the 15 new cases:

- 5 are from the Wollongong Local Government Area (LGA) 4 are linked to known cases Postcodes – 2500 (1), 2505 (1), 2517 (3)
- 2 are from the Shellharbour LGA 1 is linked to a known case Postcodes 2527 (1), 2528 (1)
- 6 are from the Shoalhaven LGA 4 are linked to known cases Postcodes 2540 (3), 2541 (3)
- 2 are from the Kiama LGA 2 are linked to known cases Postcodes – 2533 (1), 2534 (1)

There have now been 2,391 local cases of COVID-19 in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District since the start of the current outbreak in June.

As at 8pm Tuesday 26 October, there were 25 patients being treated in hospital as a result of COVID.

A reminder that venues are posted daily on the <u>District's Facebook page</u> and a full list of all exposure sites in NSW is available on the <u>NSW Health case locations web page</u>.

Please also 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.

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

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District urges the community to continue to come forward for vaccination. Everyone in Australia aged 12 and over can receive a COVID-19 vaccination. For more information visit <u>www.health.gov.au</u>.

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