ILLAWARRA SHOALHAVEN LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT

Media Information



Thursday, 28 October 2021

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 12 positive COVID-19 cases in the 24 hours to 8pm last night.

Of the 12 new cases:

- 4 are from the Wollongong Local Government Area (LGA) 2 are linked to known cases Postcodes – 2500 (1), 2517 (2), 2526 (1)
- 3 are from the Shellharbour LGA 2 are linked to known cases Postcodes - 2527 (1), 2528 (2)
- 5 are from the Shoalhaven LGA all are under investigation Postcodes – 2541 (5)
- 0 are from the Kiama LGA

There have now been 2,403 local cases of COVID-19 in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District since the start of the current outbreak in June.

As at 8pm Wednesday 27 October, there were 19 patients being treated in hospital as a result of COVID.

Sadly, a woman in her 90s died at a Tarrawanna aged care facility, where she acquired the infection. She had received two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine and had underlying health conditions. ISLHD extends sincere condolences to her loved ones.

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 www.health.gov.au.