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Media Release



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NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ALERT

Twelve new cases of COVID-19 were diagnosed in the 24 hours to 8pm last night. One previous case has been excluded after further testing, bringing the total number of cases in NSW to 3,631.

Confirmed cases (incl. interstate residents in NSW health care facilities)	3,631
Deaths (in NSW from confirmed cases)	52
Total tests carried out	1,561,826

There were 22,087 tests reported in the 24-hour reporting period, compared with 12,876 in the previous 24 hours.

Of the 12 new cases reported to 8pm last night:

- one is a traveller in hotel quarantine
- 10 were locally acquired linked to known cases including:
 - two cases linked to the Thai Rock restaurant in Wetherill Park
 - two cases linked to the Apollo restaurant in Potts Point
 - six cases associated with the funeral gatherings cluster
- one is locally acquired with unknown source

NSW Health can advise a previously reported case attended Kids Learning Academy in Busby while infectious on 29 July. The case is a child of a previously reported case, linked with Mounties in Mount Pritchard. The centre is closed for deep cleaning while contact tracing is underway.

As advised yesterday, two cases reported in today's numbers attended Greenway Park Public School. A previously reported case attended Bonnyrigg High School. Both schools reopened for on-site learning today. Contact tracing continues and all close contacts are in self-isolation.

For the full list of dates for venues and locations associated with confirmed cases, please visit <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates>.

There are now:

- 105 cases associated with Thai Rock Wetherill Park cluster
- 58 cases associated with the Crossroads Hotel cluster
- 46 cases associated with the funeral events in Bankstown and surrounding suburbs, including 15 associated with Mounties in Mount Pritchard.
- 30 cases associated with the Potts Point cluster, including 24 cases linked to the Apollo Restaurant cluster and 6 cases linked with the Thai Rock Restaurant Potts Point cluster (two cases attended both and are counted as Thai Rock cases).

While most cases in the past week have been associated with local clusters and close contact with known cases, some have not been linked to known cases.

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To help stop the spread of COVID-19:

- If you are unwell, stay in, get tested and isolate.
- Wash your hands regularly. Take hand sanitiser with you when you go out.
- Keep your distance. Leave 1.5 metres between yourself and others.
- Wear a mask in situations where you cannot physically distance.

A full list of COVID-19 testing clinics is available at the following link, or people can visit their GP:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/clinics.aspx>

Isolation is mandatory for anyone identified as a close contact of a case. Anyone directed to undertake a 14-day self-isolation period must stay in isolation for the full time, even if they test negative. Early testing may not detect an infection, and release from self-isolation based on a negative test could allow an infectious person to infect others in the community. Most people who are infected and develop symptoms will do so within 14 days of exposure.

There are 113 COVID-19 cases being treated by NSW Health. Nine people were in intensive care and six were ventilated as of 8pm last night. 82 per cent of cases are in non-acute, out-of-hospital care.

Confirmed cases to date:

By likely source of infection:	Count
Overseas	2,036
Interstate acquired	83
Locally acquired – contact of a confirmed case and/or in a known cluster	1,136
Locally acquired – contact not identified	376
Under investigation	0
Total	3,631

Counts reported for a particular day may vary over time with ongoing enhanced surveillance activities.

Returned travellers in hotel quarantine to date:

Since 29 March 2020:	Count
Symptomatic travellers tested	4,286
Found positive	120
Since 30 June 2020:	Count
Asymptomatic travellers screened at a day 2	10,717
Found positive	69
Since 15 May 2020:	Count
Asymptomatic travellers screened at a day 10	24,251
Found positive	114

Today's video update from Dr Selvey:

<https://vimeo.com/444723448/b0cda7c031>