Clinician alert #51 – all clinicians
Effective from 29 March 2021

New information
Western Australia will introduce a hard border with Queensland following the evolving COVID-19 situation and outbreak. Updates on this situation can be found here.

Information for travellers from Queensland
People who arrived to Western Australia from Queensland and New South Wales and have visited any of the affected Queensland exposure sites, and/or New South Wales exposure sites at the relevant dates and times:
• must present for testing immediately for COVID-19, AND
• quarantine in suitable premises for 14 days from the date of attendance at the high-risk location, AND
• present for COVID-19 testing on Day 11.

Arrivals in Western Australia from Queensland since 27 March 2021:
• must quarantine in suitable premises for 14 days, AND
• present for a COVID-19 test if any symptoms develop during quarantine, AND
• present for COVID-19 testing on Day 11.

From 12.01am, 30 March 2021, travellers from Queensland into WA will no longer be permitted unless they are an exempt traveller.

Exempt travellers arriving into WA:
• must present for testing on arrival at Perth airport, AND
• quarantine in suitable premises for 14 days, AND
• present for a COVID-19 test if any symptoms develop during quarantine, AND
• present for COVID-19 testing on Day 11 after arrival in WA (if still in WA).

Travelers can leave WA before the end of their 14-day self-quarantine period, and before their testing requirement, but they cannot leave quarantine if they are waiting for a test result.

Anyone who has come into contact with travelers from Queensland, do not have to self-quarantine and get tested unless they have symptoms of COVID-19.

Triaging patients presenting to health services
All health services should continue to assess people’s COVID-19 risk on presentation, and clinicians are reminded to stay alert for potential COVID-19 infection especially in those who work in a high-risk setting (e.g. border workers, quarantine centre workers).

Testing
Testing is available at the usual COVID Clinic locations available on Healthy WA.

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