

24 May 2022

Dear Residents and Representatives,

Please find below an update on the COVID situation at Meath Care.

Dr Mary Surveyor Centre, Kingsley

As per the update yesterday, the current number of active cases at the Centre is **3 cases on Perry**.

Clinipath are returning to the Centre tomorrow (Wednesday) to PCR screen residents on Perry.

Michael Lee Centre, Como

We are still awaiting a small number of results from the screening undertaken yesterday by Clinipath, but from the results received I can confirm that **a single new case was detected on Olive/Wattle**. This means that the current number of active cases at the Centre now stands at **3 cases**.

Clinipath will be returning to the Centre on 26 May (Thursday) and they will be repeating PCR testing to all areas of the Centre.

A quick reminder that the deadline for providing evidence of influenza vaccination, or an exemption, is now only 7 days away. Please ensure that these are given to the reception staff.

While it is encouraging to see the number of active cases decreasing in the Perth metropolitan area, it remains a very high caseload in the community. This is an ongoing threat and at both Centre we have staff who are currently absent due to having COVID or are close contacts.

We have also had visitors to both Centres who may have visited while infectious. We are very grateful that those visitors have informed us as it allows us to ensure an appropriate level of risk management and monitoring is in place. Please keep vigilant and keep safe.

With best wishes,



Chris Roberts

Chief Executive Officer

General visiting hours

Monday-Friday: 0900-1600 hours

Saturday / Sunday / Public Holidays: 1000-1500 hours

Visiting outside these hours can be arranged – please discuss with the Centre Manager

Conditions of visiting, from 18 May 2022

Dr Mary Surveyor Centre, Kingsley

Perry (third floor)

- This area is closed to Visitors (except Partners in Care / Essential Visitors); and
- Partners in Care and Essential Visitors will undertake **Rapid Antigen Testing** on entry.

Shenton (first floor) and Darch (second floor)

- All visitors must **wear a mask at all times** within the Centre;
- All visitors must be **fully vaccinated** against COVID-19 or have a valid exemption;
- Visitors must declare that they have undertaken **Rapid Antigen Testing** in the **previous 4 hours** and have a **negative** result (NB - daily visitors - in the previous 72 hours);
- A **maximum of 2 visitors** at any time, and a **maximum of 2 visitors** per day;
- Visits must either occur in the **resident's room** or in **outside areas**;
- Visitors must practise social distancing, hand hygiene, and cough etiquette;
- Visitors must not visit if they are **unwell**, been in **contact with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case**, or visited a **potential COVID-19 exposure site**; and
- Visitors who have been **overseas in the preceding 7 days** need to **inform us of their overseas travel on entry**.

Michael Lee Centre, Como

Sheoak/Tyalla and Olive/Wattle

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Jarra/Sandalwood and Tuart/Karri

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