

29 June 2022

Dear Residents and Representatives,

Please find an update on the COVID-19 situation at Meath Care below.

**Michael Lee Centre, Como**

As reported yesterday, the PCR screening on Monday showed **no further resident cases** detected in the Jarrah/Sandalwood area. There are **3 active resident cases** currently.

Clinipath are returning to the Centre tomorrow to rescreen residents in Jarrah/Sandalwood.

**Dr Mary Surveyor Centre, Kingsley**

We have received the results from the PCR testing yesterday and these have identified **8 new resident cases on Perry**. This takes our **current active cases to 10 residents**.

This significant spread means that the whole of Level 3 is considered a Red Zone. Consequently, if you are an Essential Visitor, we suggest you consider the length and frequency of any visits.

Of the affected residents, 6 are asymptomatic and the other 4 have mild symptoms. All remain at the Centre and are being closely monitored by our nursing and care staff.

Clinipath are returning to the Centre on 1 July (Friday) to rescreen residents on Perry.

When it is considered that RAT screening to residents on Perry last Thursday showed no presence of COVID, the sharp escalation of the outbreak again emphasises the contagious nature and high transmissibility of this virus.

If you need to visit our Centres currently, please keep taking precautions to minimise the possibility of inadvertently bringing COVID in by:

- Testing yourself by RAT before entering the Centre;
- Always wearing a mask in the Centre; and
- Practising good hand hygiene before, during and after visiting.

We will keep you updated as the current outbreaks evolve and resolve. In the meantime, thank you for your continuing support and patience in our endeavours to manage the current situation.

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 27 June 2022

### Dr Mary Surveyor Centre, Kingsley

#### Perry

- 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 and Darch

- 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**.

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#### Jarrah/Sandalwood

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#### Olive/Wattle, Sheoak/Tyalla, and Tuart/Karri

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