

Novel coronavirus – 2019-nCoV

Important update for education services

29 January 2020

Important update: Change in advice to people who have travelled to China

There has been a change in the public health advice to people who have travelled to China.

Childcare, school and TAFE:

- Contacts of any confirmed novel coronavirus case must self-isolate and should not attend school, childcare or TAFE for 14 days following latest exposure with the case.
- Returned travellers who have visited China, including Hong Kong, should not attend school, childcare or TAFE for 14 days after leaving China, including Hong Kong.
- This includes students, teachers and anyone who works or attends these facilities.

All travellers:

- Contacts of any confirmed novel coronavirus case must self-isolate for 14 days following latest exposure to the case.
- Returned travellers who have visited Hubei Province of China need to self-isolate for 14 days after leaving Hubei Province.

Self-isolation means staying at home and not accepting visitors.

Why has the advice changed?

This is a precautionary measure following brand new advice around the timeframe that people may be contagious before showing symptoms.

Where can I get further information?

For further information about 2019-nCoV visit:

Queensland Health website <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/>

Australian Government Department of Health website <https://www.health.gov.au/>

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