

CoNNMO Member meeting

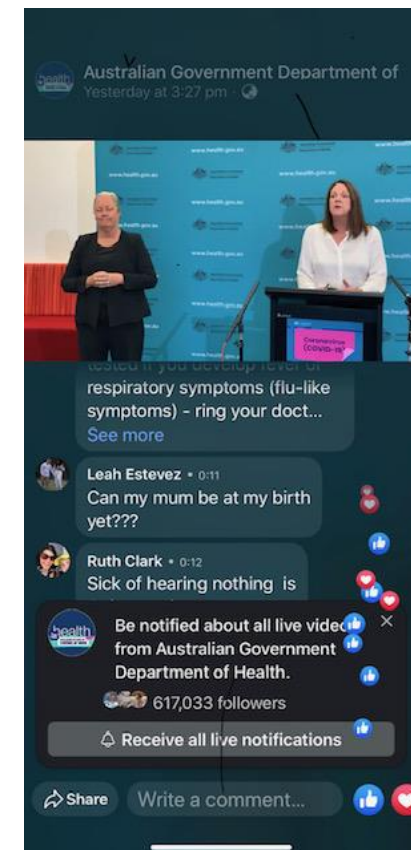
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Commonwealth Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer

May 2020



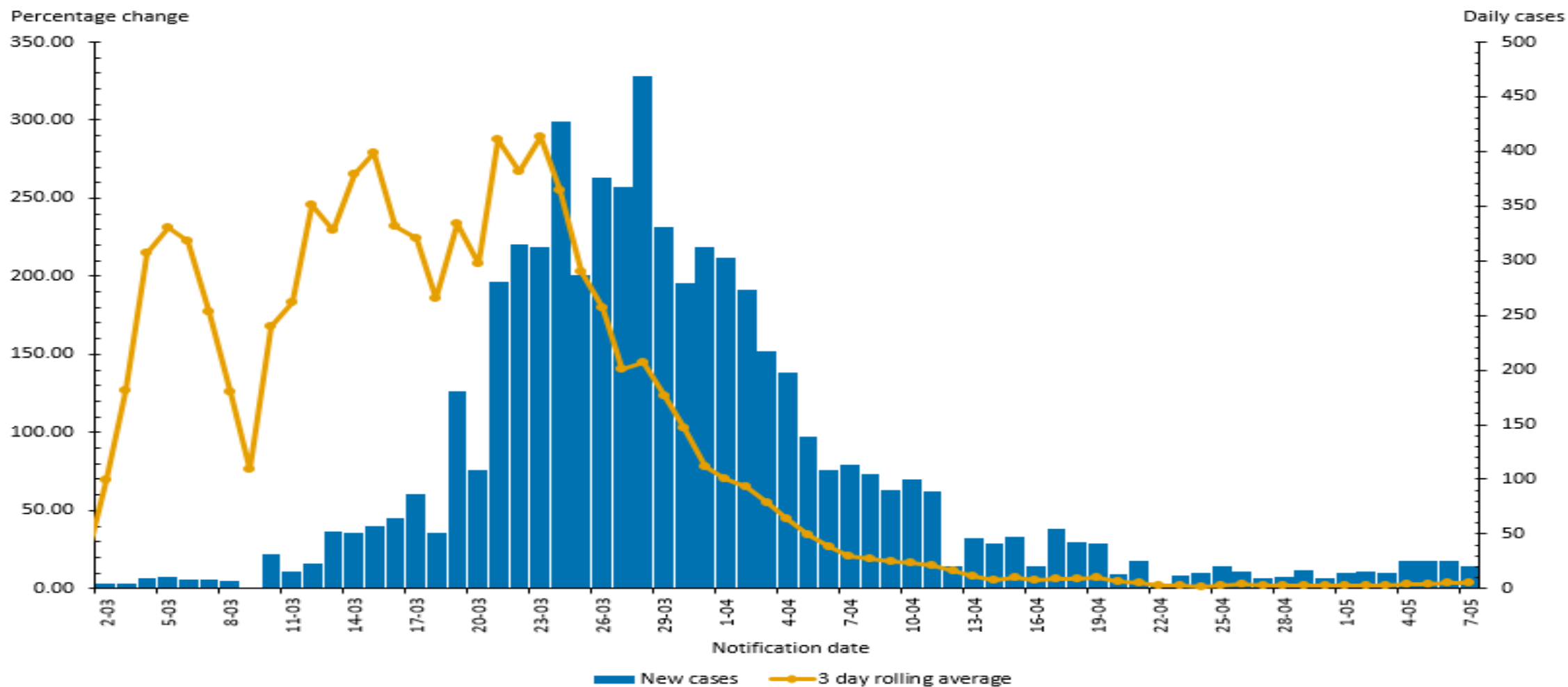
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CURRENT STATUS OF CONFIRMED CASES

6,896

Total cases

97

Total deaths

6,035

Cases recovered

23

CURRENT CASES
INTENSIVE CARE UNITS (ICU)

| ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA |
|-----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 0 | 10 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 3 |

58

CURRENT CASES
ADMITTED TO HOSPITALS

| ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA |
|-----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 0 | 24 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 6 |

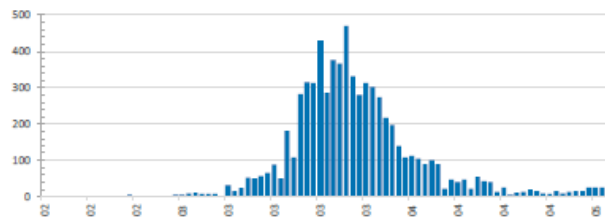
722,549

1.0% POSITIVE

TOTAL TESTS
CONDUCTED

| ACT | NSW | NT | QLD |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 10,478 | 271,796 | 5,117 | 124,898 |
| POSITIVE | POSITIVE | POSITIVE | POSITIVE |
| 1.0% | 1.1% | 0.6% | 0.8% |
| SA | TAS | VIC | WA |
| 65,167 | 17,234 | 176,507 | 51,352 |
| POSITIVE | POSITIVE | POSITIVE | POSITIVE |
| 0.7% | 1.3% | 0.8% | 1.1% |

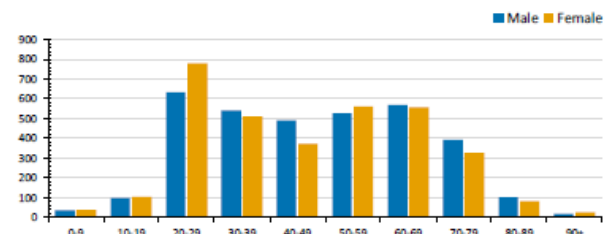
DAILY NUMBER OF REPORTED CASES



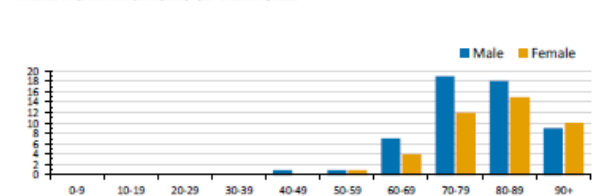
CASES IN AGED CARE SERVICES

| Confirmed Cases | Australia | ACT | NSW | NT | Qld | SA | Tas | Vic | WA |
|---|--------------|-----|--------------|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Residential Care Recipients | 63 [16] (26) | 0 | 61 [16] (24) | 0 | 1 (1) | 0 | 1 (1) | 0 | 0 |
| In Home Care Recipients | 31 [19] (3) | 0 | 13 [8] | 0 | 8 [7] | 1 [1] | 5 (2) | 3 [3] | 1 (1) |
| Cases in care recipients [recovered] (deaths) | | | | | | | | | |

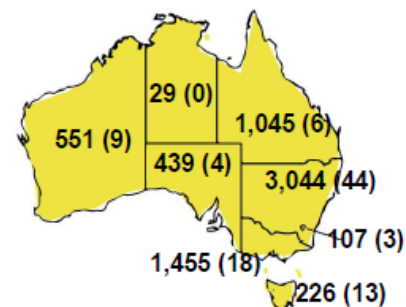
CASES BY AGE GROUP AND SEX



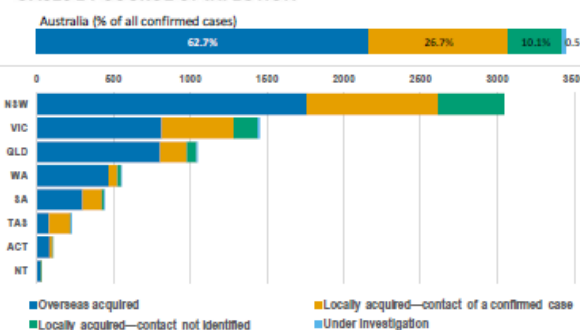
DEATHS BY AGE GROUP AND SEX



CASES (DEATHS) BY STATE AND TERRITORIES

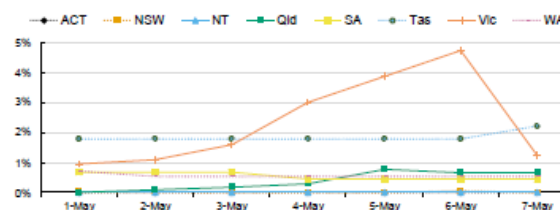


CASES BY SOURCE OF INFECTION



PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE MEASURE

Proportion of total cases under investigation



This infographic is updated daily and is available from www.health.gov.au



COVID-19

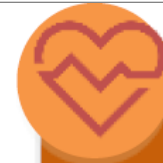
Health System redesign in a month



Public and Private
Hospitals prepared



Telehealth extended



Testing capacity rapidly
increased



NMS restocked
& reconfigured



COVID-19 Clinics
(>300 as at 29 April)

National Medical Stockpile (NMS)

- A strategic reserve of drugs, vaccines, antidotes and protective equipment for use in the national response to a public health emergency.
- The NMS exists to supplement holdings of state and territory health authorities to support continuity of service provision.
- The Commonwealth does not disclose actual stockpile numbers as they are considered confidential.

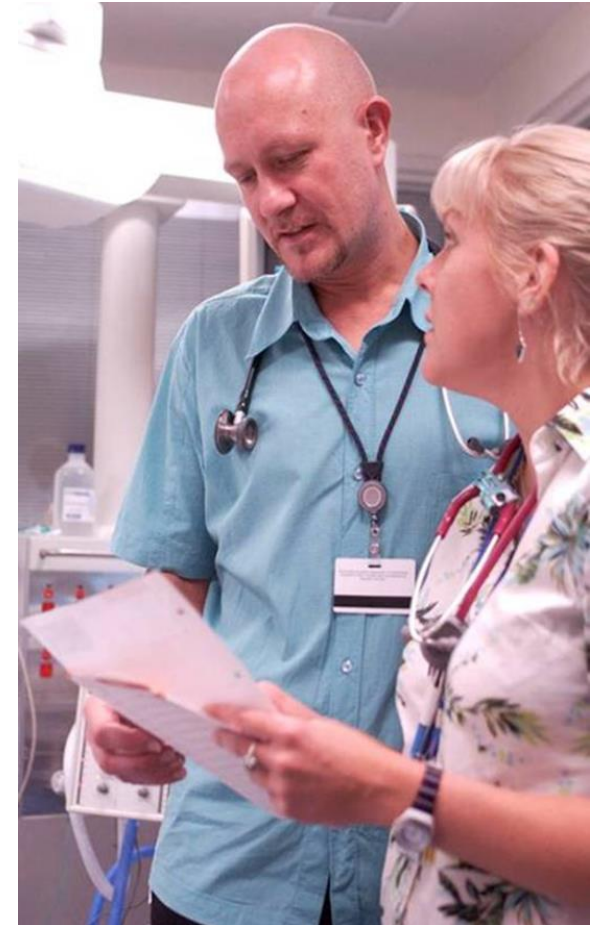


COVID-19 for Nursing and Midwifery

Upskilling current workforce:

The Australian Government has funded:

- \$4.1m to Medcast to upskill 20,000 Registered Nurses (RN) to assist in the delivery of care in ICU and HDU across Australia
- \$2.5m to Australian College of Nursing for a refresher program for up to 3,000 RNs who hold current registration but aren't practising
- 100 places for Pacific Islands Countries



COVID-19 for Nursing and Midwifery

Pandemic Sub-register

- Ahpra launched on 6 April 2020 a new pandemic response sub-register to fast track the return to the workforce of experienced and qualified health practitioners, including nurses.
- The Ahpra website includes website links, supporting available health professionals responding to the pandemic. These include:
 - State and territory health department COVID-19 recruitment sites; and
 - the Mable online platform.



COVID-19 for Nursing and Midwifery

- For the nursing workforce in Australia who are on a visa, Minister Colbeck announced on 18 March 2020, that restrictions on international nursing students working 20 hours per week in aged care and home care services would be temporarily relaxed.





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COVIDSafe

On 26 April 2020, the Government launched the contact tracing app, COVIDSafe.

More than 5.3 million people have downloaded and registered for the COVIDSafe app as at 6am on 8 May 2020.





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Nursing 2030 Strategy

“A capable, resilient nursing profession delivering person centred, evidence based, compassionate care to Australia communities”

What are the key barriers to nurses working to their full scope of practice?





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Nursing 2030 Strategy



- Building Nursing leaders and managers
- Nurse Practitioners
- Workforce sustainability
- Novice to Expert
- Diversity of the profession
- Remote/rural/regional nursing
- Retention
- Specialisation
- Health and wellbeing

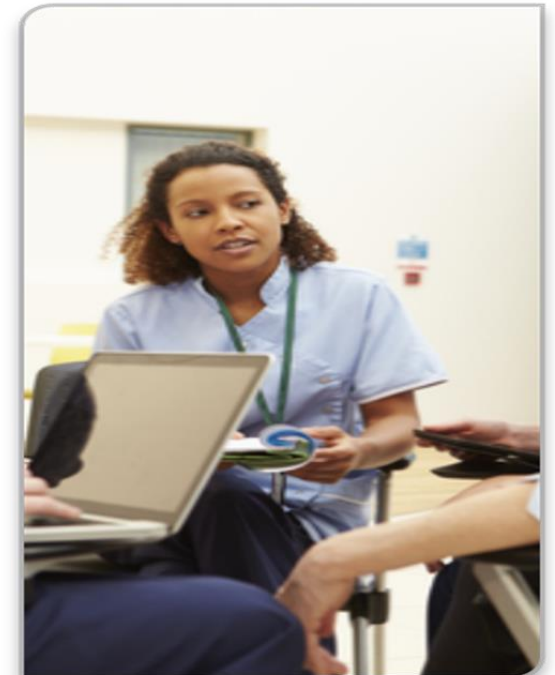


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Educating the Nurse of the Future

- Independent Review of Nursing Education
- 2018/19 Budget Measure
- Emeritus Professor Steven Schwartz AM
- Registered and Enrolled Nurses and Nurse Practitioners
- Published in November 2019
- Government is considering the recommendations
- NNMEAN, ANMAC and NMBA have met to discuss report

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/educating-the-nurse-of-the-future>



International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife



“WHO is proud to nominate 2020 as the Year of the Nurse and the Midwife. These two health professions are invaluable to the health of people everywhere. Without nurses and midwives, we will not achieve the Sustainable Development Goals or universal health coverage. While WHO recognises their crucial role on a daily basis, 2020 will be dedicated to highlighting the enormous sacrifices and contributions of nurses and midwives, and to ensuring that we address the shortage of these vital professions.”

Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director General of the WHO



Can I make a difference?



<http://wexassets.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Sustainable-world-1000x516.jpg>

“Time is always moving on,
nothing can stop it.
The question is whether we
use our time properly or not.
We can’t change the past, but
what happens in the future
depends on what we do now”.

Dalai Lama 22nd Nov 2019

Thank you

Questions?

