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COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS UPDATE

Given the latest cases of community transmission and updated health advice from the Chief Health Officer Dr Kerry Chant, COVID-19 restrictions will be temporarily tightened across Greater Sydney.

The following measures will be effective from midday today, 6 May 2021 (enforceable from 5pm) until 12.01am Monday, 10 May for the Greater Sydney region (including Wollongong, Central Coast and Blue Mountains):

- Visitors to households will be limited to 20 guests – including children;
- Masks will be compulsory on public transport and in all public indoor venues, such as retail, theatres, hospitals, aged care facilities and for front-of-house hospitality staff (except in a hospitality venue when eating or drinking);
- Drinking while standing up at indoor venues will not be allowed;
- Singing by audiences at indoor shows or by congregants at indoor places of worship will not be allowed;
- Dancing will not be allowed at indoor hospitality venues or nightclubs however, dancing is allowed at weddings with a strong recommendation that no more than 20 people should be on the dancefloor at any one time; and
- Visitors to aged care facilities will be limited to two people.

It is also strongly recommended the community avoids mingling in large groups over the coming days, and is careful not to put our most vulnerable at risk.

Premier Gladys Berejiklian said the three day restrictions would help reduce the risk of a super spreading event.

“These measures are proportionate to the risk and will help reduce further cases of community transmission,” Ms Berejiklian said.

“To allow our health authorities to do their excellent work it is critical the community continues to keep their physical distance, get tested with even the mildest of symptoms and importantly continues to use the Service NSW app to check into venues.”

Health Minister Brad Hazzard said there are more than 300 COVID-19 testing locations across the State including new pop up sites in the Eastern Suburbs.

“Anyone experiencing any cold or flu-like symptoms, even if they are mild, must isolate

immediately, get tested and continue to isolate until a negative result is received,” Mr Hazzard said.

“It is also important to remember that even if you have had your first or second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine you must still come forward for testing if you have any symptoms.”

Chief Health Officer Dr Kerry Chant said high testing rates are critical to NSW Health’s efforts to identify COVID-19 cases and prevent the virus from spreading.

“We are asking the community to be on alert, continue to practice COVID-Safe behaviours and stay home and get tested if they’re unwell,” Dr Chant said.

For the latest information and COVID-19 testing sites please visit:

www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19

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