

Monday 21 March 2022

COVID-19 UPDATE – Monday 21 March 2022

The Murrumbidgee Local Health District has 6,771 active cases of COVID-19 across the District bringing the total number of cases since 1 July 2021 to 37,806.

There are currently 12 COVID-19 patients in MLHD who are being cared for in hospital. None of these patients are in ICU.

Across the MLHD, more than 95 per cent of people aged 16 and over have received two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine to Sunday 6 March 2022. Of children aged 12 to 15, 85.5 per cent have received a first dose of COVID-19 vaccine, and 80.2 per cent have received two doses.

GET VACCINATED! POP-UPS AND BOOSTERS

The MLHD COVID-19 outreach vaccination clinics will be in Jerilderie, Coleambally, Barham, Finley, Berrigan and Junee this week.

Jerilderie	Monday 21 March	2.00 pm – 6.00 pm
Coleambally	Monday 21 March	1.00 pm – 5.00 pm
Barham	Tuesday 22 March	12.00 pm – 6.00 pm
Finley	Wednesday 23 March	1.00 pm – 5.00 pm
Berrigan	Thursday 24 March	2.00 pm – 6.00 pm
Junee	Friday 25 March	2.00 pm – 6.00 pm

Studies show that the immunity created by COVID-19 vaccines begins to wane over time. A booster dose helps to strengthen your immune system and improve your long-term protection against serious illness from the COVID-19 virus.

Booster doses are now available for people aged 16 and over who had their second dose at least three months ago. Anyone aged five and over can now have their COVID-19 vaccine.

People who have had COVID should still get their booster vaccination once fully recovered from the virus. For most people this is around 4-6 weeks after infection.

The MLHD Vaccination Clinic in Wagga Wagga has family friendly opening hours and is open between 11.30 am until 7.00 pm weekdays. The MLHD Vaccination Clinic in Griffith is open until 5.00 pm weekdays. The Moderna vaccine is also available on Monday mornings at Wagga Wagga and Griffith clinics from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. For more information visit: [COVID-19 vaccine clinic finder](#).

We urge people to get their booster dose as soon as they are eligible, to best protect themselves, their loved ones and the community from the ongoing transmission of COVID-19. We also strongly recommend that people aged 12 years and over who are severely immunocompromised have a third primary dose of vaccine from two months after their second dose.

COVID-19 vaccinations are available at more than 100 locations across the region including GP's, Pharmacies, Aboriginal Medical Services and MLHD clinics. We encourage everyone who is eligible to book into a NSW Health vaccination clinic or another provider without delay through the [COVID-19 vaccine clinic finder](#).

FOR MORE INFORMATION

NSW Health continues to provide the latest case numbers, vaccination totals and statistics on coronavirus in New South Wales.

- For today's COVID-19 case numbers for NSW (which include PCR numbers and newly released RAT figures by local health district) go to: <https://bit.ly/NSWHealthMediaUpdates>
- For the total number of active cases go to: <https://bit.ly/NSWHealthCOVID-19Update>
- For cases and tests broken down by health district and local government area go to: <https://bit.ly/LocallyAcquiredCases>
- For vaccination rates by postcode go to: [https://bit.ly/NSW Vaccination by postcode](https://bit.ly/NSW_Vaccination_by_postcode)

We encourage everyone who is eligible to receive a vaccination or their booster dose to book into a vaccination clinic or another provider without delay. Book your appointment here: <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/booking/>

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