

SA COVID-19 TRANSITION COMMITTEE

Meeting 76: 18 February 2021

Outcomes:

Reference	Action
3.2	The Committee recommended to the State Coordinator that subject to no new public exposure sites being identified travellers from Greater Melbourne will be able to enter South Australia from 0001 hours 26 February 2021, and will be subject to testing requirements.

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

- 1.1 All members present.
- 1.2 Dr Evan Everest, Dr Chris Lease, Mr Adam Rice, Ms Ingrid Norman and Mr Don Frater attended as guests.

2. AHPPC Update

- 2.1 CPHO provided an update on the outbreak in NZ, noting that there are further cases of an unidentified source which are unable to be linked genomically to the previous cases in NZ or Australia. Accordingly it is recommended to keep the requirement for travellers from NZ to quarantine until Monday night.
- 2.2 CPHO noted data was being sourced to match travellers from Victoria who had entered SA with pathology data to ensure compliance with the testing requirements.

3. Cross Border update

- 3.1 The Committee noted that travellers from regional Victoria were now able to enter South Australia with a testing requirement. The only concern remaining is the public exposure sites in Greater Melbourne.
- 3.2 Accordingly, the Committee recommended to the State Coordinator that subject to no new public exposure sites being identified travellers from Greater Melbourne will be able to enter South Australia from 0001 hours 26 February 2021, and will be subject to testing requirements.

4. Any other business

- 4.1 The Committee discussed the plan to return international students to be submitted to the Commonwealth for approval, and noted the urgency to return students to recommence onshore study, particularly students with a placement component.
- 4.2 The Committee noted progress towards developing an alternative quarantine model for seasonal workers.
- 4.3 The Committee noted that additional quarantine arrangements for either students or seasonal workers would stretch policing and medical resources, and so may need to consider different technological security solutions.
- 4.4 The Chair requested further consideration at a future meeting of the limits on dancing and other public activity restrictions, including caps and density requirements.
- 4.5 CPHO noted that variants of concern are now more prevalent and will bring modelling on these variants to the next meeting.