# Queensland COVID-19 - Tuesday, April 7

Social distancing and community discipline should continue over the Easter break to keep downward pressure on new coronavirus cases, Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk said.

"The Health Minister and I have always said that day to day the number of new cases would vary, and the most important thing is to look at the trend," Ms Palaszczuk said.

"We've seen some great achievements over the past few days, with 13 new cases in today's figures. So we don't want people to now think it's OK to socialise and travel during the break.

"We need everyone to please do the right thing. I know we can do it if we all work together."

### Also today:

• Cruise ships have been officially banned from entering Queensland waters and any remaining vessels must leave by tomorrow night.

"If you do see a cruise ship today or tomorrow, they are just refuelling and resupplying. Then they will be on their way," the Premier said.

"No passengers are on the departing ships and no crew members are reported to be unwell."

• Education ministers (state and federal) have agreed that Year 12 students will be given the chance to achieve a QCE in 2020 – ie there'll be no 'Year 13'.

In relation to schools in Term Two, the Premier will meet with the Education Minister this week, with a decision to be made by next week.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 13 new confirmed cases of COVID-19 raise the state total to 934
- Additional testing to gauge community transmission
- Queenslanders with disability are being supported through the COVID-19 outbreak
- PPE supply chain boosted by industry and community
- Manufacturing <u>hand sanitiser</u>

#### **CASES**

• New: 13 Total: 934 Deaths: 5 Tests: 61,834

Most cases are patients who went overseas or contacted a patient who went overseas. The Chief Health Officer has ordered more testing for community transmission.

### **HEALTH DIRECTIONS**

- <u>Cruise ship entry restrictions</u>: Foreign cruise ships must not enter Queensland waters
- <u>Home and gathering restrictions</u>: One or two visitors allowed
- Border restrictions: Only Qld residents and exemptions www.qld.gov.au/border-pass