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Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC)

Emergency Teleconference

NOVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus)

Wednesday 19 February 2020 14:00 AEDT

Outcomes

Members attending	
Professor Brendan Murphy	Chair, Chief Medical Officer
Dr Brett Sutton	A/g Chair, Chief Health Officer, Victoria
Dr Andrew Robertson	Chief Health Officer, Western Australia
A/Prof Nicola Spurrier	Chief Health Officer, South Australia
Dr Kerry Chant	Chief Health Officer, New South Wales
Dr Jeremy McAnulty	Director, Health Protection, New South Wales
Dr Jeannette Young	Chief Health Officer, Queensland
Dr Mark Veitch Dr Scott McKeown	Chief Health Officer, Tasmania
Dr Kerryn Coleman	Chief Health Officer, ACT
RADM Sarah Sharkey	Commander Joint Health and Surgeon General, ADF
Ms Justine Rixon	EMA
A/Prof Dianne Stephens	Deputy Chief Health Officer, Northern Territory Medical Director, NCCTRC
Dr Christine Selvey	A/g Chair, CDNA
Invited Experts	
Professor Jodie McVernon	University of Melbourne
Professor Allen Cheng	Director, Infection, Prevent and Healthcare Epidemiology Unit, Alfred Health
Professor Lyn Gilbert	Director, Infection Prevention and Control, Institute of Clinical Pathology, University of Sydney
Department of Health	
Ms Rhonda Owen	Assistant Secretary, Health Emergency Management Branch
Dr Gary Lum	Principal Medical Officer, MSAU
Dr Jenny Firman	Chief Medical Officer, DVA
Mr Graeme Barden	Assistant Secretary, NIR.
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Prof Murphy opened the meeting at 1400 AEDT.

CDNA Report:

- Cases continue to increase in mainland China and outside of China.
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- CDNA reviewed the risk assessment for community transmission and will be presented to AHPPC on Thursday including the review of whether any other countries should be added, s33
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Cruise Ship Update

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- To date information has only been available for Australians and jurisdictions have been trying to contact to advise on health measures.
- Further passenger information will be provided to jurisdictions as it becomes available. It will include name, age, email address and flight details.
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Year 12 - Student Travel Exemption

- The current risk outside Hubei province, is very low. s47C
- Some students have also been known to have been in other countries for 14 days.
- Prof McVernon advised that the overall assessment of our importation risk has been done. Substantial measures have been in place to assist with containment. Situation is evolving, will have more info over next few weeks. Need to consider how ready we are for importation.
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Border Travel restrictions

- AHPPC considered the issue of possible exemptions in exceptional circumstances to the travel restrictions for some non-citizens/non-permanent residents returning to Australia from China (other than from Hubei province).

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