

COVID-19 information – Doomadgee

17 November 2021

Greater Katherine and Robinson River named as hotspot

Following the lockdown announcement by the NT Government, Greater Katherine, and Robinson River (including surrounding homelands) was declared a hotspot from 6pm Tuesday 16th November.

This means anyone travelling to Queensland from the Greater Katherine region after 6pm Tuesday 16th November will need to arrive by air, provide evidence of a negative COVID-19 test result, and those with a suitable home will go into home quarantine for 14 days.

As always, anyone with any COVID-19 symptoms, no matter how mild, should get tested as soon as practical.

The lockdown requirements and a map of the affected region can be found on the [NT Government website](#).

What does this mean for Doomadgee?

With community links between Doomadgee and Robinson River, there is an increased risk of COVID-19 entering the community.

Testing for COVID-19

If someone has been in an identified COVID-19 hotspot and enter QLD after Tuesday 16th November, they must get tested and isolate for 14 days.

If someone has been in an identified hotspot or are feeling unwell and have flu-like symptoms, they need to get tested.

If a person has been in contact with someone that has been in a hotspot, they need get tested.

You can get tested by visiting the Doomadgee Hospital.

Getting vaccinated against COVID-19

All Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples aged 12 and over are eligible for a COVID-19 vaccination.

Having the COVID-19 vaccine is your choice and the best way to protect yourself and your mob from serious illness.

Getting the COVID-19 vaccine is free and as more of us get a COVID-19 vaccine, it becomes harder for the virus to spread.

Talk to your Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker, Nurse or Doctor. They understand the risks and can help you make the right choice.

Why should I get the vaccine?

Getting the vaccine means we can continue to freely catch up at family gatherings in the park, in our homes or elsewhere and have a good laugh and lots of fun.

These places generally have a lot of people and it can be very hard to socially distance and keep 1.5m apart. This increases the risk of germs spreading including COVID-19.

By having the COVID-19 vaccination this will help provide extra protection for yourself, community and our vulnerable like our Elders and those who have health problems who attend these family gatherings or culturally important events.

Where can I get vaccinated?

This is the current information as at November 17. For more information please call the Vaccination Hotline on 1800 551 552.

Doomadgee: Nov 17-22, Nov 25-26

Normanton: Nov 16-18, 23-25

Mornington Island: Nov 17-19

Julia Creek: Nov 25

Camooweal: Nov 30

Burketown: December 1

Dajarra: Nov 25

Urandangi: Nov 23

Gregory Downs: Dec 8

Adels Grove: December 14

Mount Isa - Monday to Friday

For more information, please visit the following websites:

QLD Health: <https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19>

North West HHS: <https://www.northwest.health.qld.gov.au/for-patients-and-visitors/covid-19-information/>

NT Health: <https://coronavirus.nt.gov.au/>