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Dear Colleagues

From today mandatory isolation requirements are lifted for people who test positive for COVID-19 following a decision by National Cabinet. People with COVID-19 symptoms are still encouraged to get tested and stay at home until symptoms have cleared.

To continue to protect our workforce, we will need to take a work health and safety approach to managing COVID-19, considering the setting and nature of work, particularly for work, disability, and aged care.

I have received advice from Chief Public Health Officer, Rrosessor Nicola Spurrier, which I have attached for your information.

Professor Spurrier recommends that previously mandated measures are incorporated into workplace policies and protocols to meet health and safety obligations and ensure the safety and wellbeing of staff and clients.

People testing positive and close contacts should advise their employer and discuss return-to-work plans, which may include accessing sick leave and other orms of leave, and working from home.

<u>Determination 3.1: Employment Conditions – Hours of Work, Overtime and Leave,</u> still contains COVID provisions including recognition that SA Health or SA Pathology communications sent via text are appropriate for the purpose of providing evidence of sick leave.

As a sector we have successfully navigated the many changes which have confronted us in relation to COVID-19, which will continue to serve us well as we transition from mandated requirements to a workplace health and safety approach.

Regards

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