

VICTORIA ENFORCED QUARANTINE PLANNING PROCESS

- **Emergency Management Commissioner is leading the coordination of the combined agency planning in response to the National Cabinet's direction to implement the heightened measures to address COVID-19**
- **The below work is the product from today's teleconference and is designed to highlight departmental responsibilities**
- **All departments are requested to review this document in order to:**
 - **Address the known unknowns from the teleconference today**
 - **Inform existing plans**
 - **Confirm primary points of contact for each Department or function**
 - **Review, refine and update assigned Department tasks to inform a coordinated multi-agency plan (End state)**
- **Information is requested for the 10:00am teleconference(invitation to be sent) that validates considerations outlined in the tasks section of this document and identify changes required including clarification of the following:**
 - Legal
 - Medical support required during all phases
 - Welfare services
 - Interpreters
 - Personal Transport
 - Unaccompanied minors
 - Survey of passenger requirements on arrival and throughout the quarantine period

SITUATION

- The Prime Minister has directed that all passengers returning to Australia from international destinations are to undergo 14 days enforced quarantine.
- Volume of expected international arrivals is 1500 passengers per day.
- Direction from the Chief Health Officer is pending
- Heightened measures to curb the spread of COVID-19
- Assume small window of opportunity will lead to a spike in arrivals
- Primary port is assumed as Melbourne Airport.
- Alternate ports of entry may include Essendon Airport (Corporate Charter), Port of Melbourne (cargo), Geelong Port(cargo), Portland Port(cargo), Western Port (cargo), Station Pier (passenger)
- Control for every movement upon arrival remains the authority of the Chief Health Officer

MISSION

To implement enforced quarantine measures for all passengers entering Victoria through international air and sea points-of-entry to stop the spread of COVID-19.

EXECUTION

- **Purpose.** Slow the spread of COVID-19 through Victoria
- **Method.** Implement enforced quarantine of passengers arriving internationally into Victoria.
- **End state.** All passengers that have arrived internationally to Victoria are quarantined for 14 days in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within the Victorian community.

General Overview of the Plan

Preliminary Actions

- During this period, all preparatory activities, to receive and comfortably accommodate arriving passengers that support each of the phases to be completed

Phase 1 – Reception

- Begins when passengers arrive via international airport or maritime port, separated from the general population to prevent transmission, transit through customs and prepared for travel to quarantine locations.
- This phase ends once passengers have embarked on bus transport

Phase 2 – Transport

- Begins with buses leaving international airport or maritime port.
- It involves the transit of passengers to quarantine accommodation in vicinity of COVID testing centres.
- This phase ends once passengers exit transport vehicles

Phase 3 – Accommodation

- This phase begins when reception party receives passengers for quarantine.
- This will involve 14 days of isolation within commercial hotel/motel solutions in vicinity of their entry points.
- This phase ends once 14 days has lapsed and members are reviewed for approval to exit quarantine accommodation.

Phase 4 – Return to the Community

- This phase begins when the member is reviewed for exit by quarantine management
- This will involve an assessment whether the passengers are safe to be allowed into the Victorian community.
- This phase ends once the member has been briefed on their health responsibilities and exits quarantine.

Tasks

Preliminary Actions

- Information of quarantine plan disseminated
 - Individuals
 - Families

- Contracted solutions
- Quarantine accommodation and contracted transport booked
- Workforce identified and in position to conduct tasks
- Arrival schedules and manifests confirmed

Phase 1 – Reception

- Department of Transport
 - Sky bus contract - Tullamarine
 - Regional transportation
- Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions
 - Reception parties established and coordinated at all entry points
 - Melbourne airport and customs liaison
 - Incoming passenger data
- Department of Health and Human Services
 - Health screening
 - Direction at airports and maritime ports
 - Providing access to psychological support
- VICPOL
 - [REDACTED]
 - Liaise with AFP and Border Force

Phase 2 – Transport

- Department of Transport
 - Skybus tasked in accordance with projected arrivals
- Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions
 - Reception parties established at quarantine accommodation
- Department of Health and Human Services
 - Health support officers embarked on busses
 - Welfare services
- VICPOL
 - Bus escorts to ensure isolation compliance

Phase 3 – Accommodation

- Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions
 - Management of accommodation contracts
 - Reception parties established to coordinate movement of passengers to quarantine accommodation
 - Management of life support for all passengers including food and amenities
 - Manage private security contract to enforce isolation of quarantine accommodation
- Department of Health and Human Services
 - Health checks conducted
 - COVID-19 testing conducted
 - Medical care provided

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- Transfer to health facility if required
- VICPOL
 - Provide security reserve force to support private security if required

Phase 4 – Return to the Community

- Department of Transport
 - Provision of transport to passengers to transit to original destination
- Department of Health and Human Services
 - Conduct of health reviews to allow release back into the community
 - Brief members on responsibilities
 - Psychological support

Coordinating Instructions

Timings

- **Prelim**
 - Arrival data and maritime ports confirmed no later than 28 1000 Mar 20
 - Transport confirmed no later than 28 1300 Mar 20
 - Quarantine Accommodation confirmed no later than 28 1600 Mar 20
 - International terminal at Tullamarine prepared for quarantine no later than 28 2200 Mar 20
 - Passengers set in place no later than 28 2350 Mar 20
- **Phase 1**
 - Reception party at international airport and maritime port no later than 28 2359 Mar 20
- **Phase 2**
 - Nil
- **Phase 3**
 - Passengers are quarantined for a 14 days minimum
- **Phase 4**
 - Nil

Locations

- Airports
 - Tullamarine
- Maritime Ports.
 - TBC
- Quarantine Accommodation.
 - TBC

COORDINATION

- State Control Centre is the central coordination point for all phases

Communications Plan

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- To returning citizens/residents
- To returning citizens/residents family
- Media release plan

Planning Points of Contact

- Department of Transport -
- Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions -
- Department of Health and Human Services -
- VICPOL -
- Department of Premier and Cabinet –
- Emergency Management Victoria -

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