




Response to COVID-19 infection in RAC

First 24 hours managing COVID-19 in a residential aged care facility


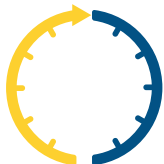

Step 1. Print out the full [pdf from Commonwealth Department of Health](#)

Step 2. Print the following checklist to monitor your progress through the guidance steps

Time	Action	Page	Tick when completed
 First 30 minutes	Isolate and inform the COVID-19 positive case(s)	1	
	Contact your local Public Health Unit (PHU)	2	
	Contact the Commonwealth Department of Health	2	
	Lockdown the residential aged care facility	2	
 Minutes 30-60	Activate your outbreak management plan	3	
	Establish an outbreak management team to meet within hours	3	
	Review screening protocols	3	
	Release an initial communication	4	
 Hours 2-3	Contact tracing and monitoring of residents	4	
	Identify key documents	4	
	PPE stocktake	4	
	Communication	4	

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 Hours 4-6	First meeting of the Outbreak Management Team	5	
	Bolster your staff and plan your roster	5	
	Conduct testing	6	
	Clinical management of COVID-positive cases	6	
 Hours 6-12	Cohorting / zoning and relocation	7	
	Move to a command-based governance structure	7	
	Rapid PPE supply	7	
	Infection control	7	
 Hours 12-24	Clinical First Responder Assessment	8	
	Review advance care directives	8	
	Establish strong induction and control processes	8	
	Maintaining social contact	9	
	Follow up communications	9	
	Continue primary health care	9	
	Support your staff	9	
	Continue to monitor state/territory guidelines	9	