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| 22 January 2021  **COVID-19 Information for ACT education and care services**  Today the ACT Chief Minister Andrew Barr announced updates to the ACT Public Health Direction and advised that from 3:00pm on Friday 22 January 2021, Blacktown City, Burwood, Canada Bay City, Canterbury-Bankstown, Fairfield City, Inner West, Liverpool City, Parramatta City and Strathfield Municipality Local Government Area (LGA) is no longer considered a hotspot by the ACT.  If you are currently in quarantine in the ACT from the 9 LGA mention above, you no longer need to quarantine as these LGA has been removed from the Public Health Direction, provided you have not been in any COVID-19 affected areas in the past 14 days. If you have been in any of the COVID-19 affected LGA’s in the past 14 days, you are required to complete your quarantine period.  Cumberland LGA is still considered a COVID-19 hotspot. ACT residents and non-residents who are quarantining in the ACT from Cumberland LGA must complete their 14-day quarantine period from the last day they visited the area.  ACT residents currently in Cumberland LGA will need to continue to follow the NSW Health advice.  ACT residents travelling from a Cumberland LGA are still required to [declare their travel](https://actredcap.act.gov.au/redcap/surveys/?s=ENA34MC3TR&fbclid=IwAR3fx0Fbt7iMQ6K-TINHd36kWG6J06k04QB4Aso6nSNrjiIgxMYsHNu-AVs) from the area and quarantine for 14 days upon their return.  Non-ACT resident travelling from Cumberland LGA are still required to apply for an exemption. More information is available for [non-ACT residents](https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/community/travel/nsw#Non-ACT-residents-who-want-to-visit-the-ACT) who want to visit the ACT  Any person showing COVID-19 symptoms should get tested immediately and self-isolate until their test result are returned. Please note staff and children must be excluded from the service until a negative test result is returned. From 22 January, the West Belconnen COVID-19 Walk-in Testing Clinic will be permanently closed. The clinic will revert to delivering child and family services. The Kambah drive through COVID-19 testing site will be closed from Saturday 23 January to Monday 25 January due to the extreme heat and will reopen on Tuesday 26 January 2021. Find the nearest free testing clinic at [www.covid19.act.gov.au/testing](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.covid19.act.gov.au%2Ftesting%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR313DV2SVKFLqe4R2MCNCxYVl1xcQIdZZrtGYxg4nNE-vZX1f1ih8WqaD4&h=AT3rzqbtj6gJ7-Xu3weZBjmX-fdePQ8z4XZYNH6KxarnbgeqIaN8NsiCYcl2NhFDDeiSz64DLt2FXPypvdwG8vWZMwzuERPp6sONOHGr7WsUId1QS--k97LeWdSQ89EWMA&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3easCKNEJiJ9kIyZvl-us5WzQNPQL804-ltv7dndYgj29xZr2PKbZCQwm8568z1Iw--Aj5xZiyeYNxYQIC_KXkXOvCu60MZnrdQ_BSSLd8dJzFoWpLamOU3_dGGmUoB_5THuZh7jgmQ_tlzYodojHdTsI1A5p1vGe4I4nW4irfS9TR3EX0vxvsskh0h45-Do3mdYA).    For enquires in relation to this notification please email [CECA@ACT.gov.au](mailto:CECA@ACT.gov.au). We will respond to your questions as soon as we can and update our frequently asked questions on our [webpage](https://www.education.act.gov.au/early-childhood/information-on-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-for-early-childhood).  For enquires in relation to this notification please call CECA on (02) 6207 1114 or email [CECA@ACT.gov.au](mailto:CECA@ACT.gov.au).  This email has been authorised by the ACT Regulatory Authority (CECA). CECA are responsible for administering the National Quality Framework within the ACT. | | |

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