

# NSW Health

Allied Health Professions – COVID 19 update



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# Acknowledgement of Country

*I would like to acknowledge the Eora people, who are the Traditional Owners of this Land. I would like to pay my respect to the Elders both past and present. I would like to extend that respect to other Aboriginal people and colleagues present today.*



The right clinical decisions is based on the correct knowledge.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) updates

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-at-a-glance>

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Pages/coronavirus-professionals.aspx>



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# HETI Allied Health Response

## HETI Online Training

[HETI Moodle](https://elearning.heti.nsw.gov.au/) - <https://elearning.heti.nsw.gov.au/>

## Physiotherapy Virtual Cardiorespiratory ICU Training

## HETI Website

[Allied Health Webpages](https://www.heti.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/our-focus-areas/allied-health) - <https://www.heti.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/our-focus-areas/allied-health>

## Support resources during COVID-19

Wellbeing - <https://www.heti.nsw.gov.au/resources-and-links/covid-19/wellbeing>

Virtual Environments - <https://www.heti.nsw.gov.au/resources-and-links/covid-19/virtual-environments>

## Scholarships and Grants

## Networks

Allied Health Professional Educator Network

Aboriginal Allied Health Network

## Variety of education and training opportunities are supported by HETI

Journal Health Education in Practice: Journal of Research for Professional Learning

Small but critical workforce support: e.g. Orthotist and Prosthetists, Diagnostic Imaging Medical Physicists



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# NSW Health Allied Health Response

## The EOI Portal

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

## Communities of practice

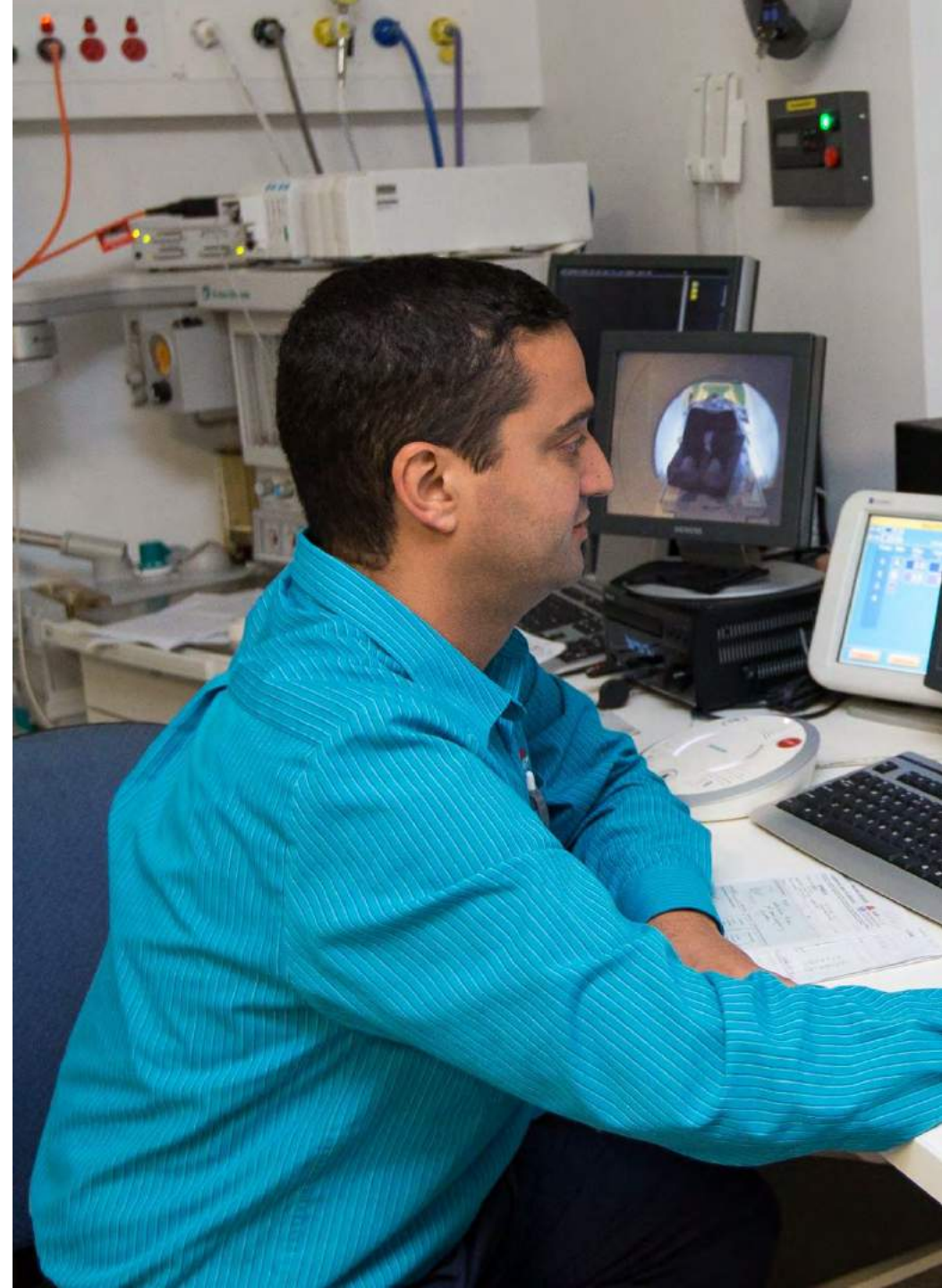
<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/community-of-practice.aspx>

## Directors of Allied Health Updates

Weekly updates



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# Students

Ensuring we maintain the viability  
of our future workforce



The Ministry of Health are currently advising to continue to offer safe, risk assessed clinical placements wherever possible.

**Final year student – portal**

<https://randstadsourceright-au.gr8people.com/communities/263>



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# HELP US SAVE LIVES

A comprehensive list of health services and health practitioners in NSW which are permitted to remain open is provided in the Health Care Complaints Act (and the Public Health Act)

<https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/regulation/2012/311/sch3>



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**Essential workers are considered to be most at risk of acquiring COVID-19.**

Should therapists choose not to provide services, they are also well within their rights to do this.

For more information visit:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/health-services.aspx>

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/what-you-can-and-cant-do-under-rules>



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**Stay Safe.  
Stay Well.  
Thank you.**



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# Personal Protection

Allied health services are to remain open. Clients and staff must adhere to social distancing requirements where possible.

## CEC and PPE

<http://www.cec.health.nsw.gov.au/keep-patients-safe/COVID-19>

## Guidance for PHNs for distribution of PPE to allied health professionals

[https://mcusercontent.com/2d3ee946ea607b52c2801df4a/files/6635e226-e285-451b-a488-d9b8c7aa3d3d/20200430\\_Guidance\\_for\\_PHNs\\_for\\_distribution\\_of\\_PPE\\_to\\_allied\\_health\\_workers.pdf?utm\\_source=All+Members%2C+Associates%2C+Affiliates+and+Subscribers&utm\\_campaign=9d65eda8fa-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2020-04-22\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_96e42de7dd-9d65eda8fa-532187346](https://mcusercontent.com/2d3ee946ea607b52c2801df4a/files/6635e226-e285-451b-a488-d9b8c7aa3d3d/20200430_Guidance_for_PHNs_for_distribution_of_PPE_to_allied_health_workers.pdf?utm_source=All+Members%2C+Associates%2C+Affiliates+and+Subscribers&utm_campaign=9d65eda8fa-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020-04-22_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_96e42de7dd-9d65eda8fa-532187346)



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# Personal Protection

**Take care of yourself at this time.**

**This is not a sprint; it's a marathon**

- Feeling under pressure is a likely experience.
- Stress and the feelings associated with it are by no means a reflection that you cannot do your job or that you are weak.
- Managing your mental health and psychosocial wellbeing during this time is as important as managing your physical health.



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# Rehabilitation Model

Returning to the norm will be  
the true test of the society  
resilience



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# Client resources

## NDIS

<https://www.ndiscommission.gov.au/resources/coronavirus-covid-19-information>

## Aged Care

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Pages/coronavirus-aged-care.aspx>

## NSW Health FAQ

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/alerts/Pages/coronavirus-faqs.aspx>



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# Client resources – cont.

## Children's Resources

ABC - Play School

<https://www.abc.net.au/abckids/shows/play-school/covid-19/12114308>

ABC - Behind the News

<https://www.abc.net.au/btn/>

NSW Health (with SA Health)

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Documents/covid-19-childrens-book.pdf>

## CALD

SBS news

<https://www.sbs.com.au/language/coronavirus?cid=infocus>



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# Client resources – cont.

## Aboriginal health

NSW Health

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/resources.aspx#Aboriginal>

## Mental Health

Beyond Blue

<https://coronavirus.beyondblue.org.au>

Head to Health

<https://headtohealth.gov.au/covid-19-support/covid-19>



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