

Community Action Plan

Richmond Police District

Endorsed by Northern Rivers LEMC – 21/7/2021

Endorsed by Ballina/Byron LEMC – 12/08/2021

| Level | Action | Responsibility |
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| 1. Prepare: COVID-19 has not entered the community | | |
| Community entry measures to minimise risk of importing COVID-19 cases applied: | Emergency Response Team – LALC, School, Council, Police Health, Community Leaders agree on community restrictions | Emergency Response Team Ongoing LALC – for each Community Northern NSW LHD, Associate Director Aboriginal Health – Kirsty Glanville Bulgarr Ngaru Medical Aboriginal Corporation – CEO Jullums Medical Aboriginal Corporation – CEO – Bullinah Aboriginal Health Service – CEO - Northern NSW LHD – Disaster Manager – Maryanne SEWELL NSW Police – LEOCON for relevant area |

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| | <p>Communication to community through discussion, flyers, social media that non-residents not welcome.</p> <p>Community agree to only leave for essential travel; food, hygiene products, medical appointments; work.</p> <p>LALC and/or Community leaders to consult with AHU as to current status of community and any police response required.</p> | <p>Northern NSW LHD, Associate Director Aboriginal Health Completed/Ongoing</p> <p>LALC/Community Leaders Completed</p> <p>AHU Completed/Ongoing</p> |
| Police assist in enforcement of PHO. | No roadblock, but police concentrate patrols on road into community conducting vehicle stops and checking bonafides of persons for residential status | Police Completed/Ongoing |
| No Public Health Order | <p>Above strategies could still apply however police utilise current legislation of 'non essential travel' to stop and enforce non residents entering the community.</p> <p>Police could also utilise NSW legislation relating to the offence of 'trespass' if non residents were in the community and had been requested to leave by LALC.</p> | <p>Police Completed/Ongoing</p> <p>Police/LALC Completed/Ongoing</p> |
| Health Checks on any resident or essential working entering the community | Health to conduct temperature checks and ask relevant questions re symptoms for Covid 19 | Health |
| Restricted Access Education and Awareness | Inform and prepare community – flyers, posters, social media updates to advise that | NNSW LHD AHU, AMS and LALC Completed |

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| | the community is in lock down and all visitors must register with the LALC for entry to the community. | |
| Health Education and Awareness | Display public health messages on social media and in community spaces <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practice good hygiene: wash and dry hands, cough into elbow, don't touch your face. • Physical distancing encouraged • House parties to cease • Gatherings over 10 people to cease | NNSW LHD AHU, AMS and LALC Completed |
| Funeral Risk Assessment | Inform community that Funerals are high risk for non-residents attending community. Sensitive consultation and collaboration with family, LALC, Funeral Home and Police. Increased police presence and patrols to deter non-residents from entering community. | Community Leaders, LALC, Funeral Director, Police Completed/Ongoing |
| Residents become ill or show symptoms of Covid-19 | Self-isolate and inform health | Community members, Health |

| Agency | Engagement Activities | Outcome / Issues |
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| Northern NSW LHD, Associate Director Aboriginal Health – Kirsty Glanville | Discussed previous information distributed to communities in early 2020. Information and flyers to be updated within communities with | Plan to be tabled at LEMC on 20 July 2021 |

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| Northern NSW LHD – Disaster Manager – Maryanne SEWELL NSW Police – LEOCON – A/Insp Anthony Smith | extra social media messaging. Face to face interactions being conducted by ACLO's and Health at missions within the District. | Ongoing communication with community at missions. Aboriginal Affairs, Aboriginal Health and Lands Councils invited to LEMC 20/7/2021 |
| NSW Police and Aboriginal Medical Services | ACLO's attending and contacting communities. | Nil issues as yet, heightened level of anxiety however support being provided by aboriginal Health and local councils with safety packs. |
| LEMC, AMS, LHD, Aboriginal Affairs, NIAA, Lands Council | Vaccine rollout to missions across the PD as well as Yamba (Coffs/Clarence) and Fingal Head (Tweed/Byron) | To commence with ADF support on 6 September 2021. 2000 vaccines obtained. Will occur over next month with aim to have all communities fully vaccinated by end of October. Excellent collaboration between all parties |
| AMS, LHD and Police | Testing Clinic Muli Muli | Due to recent interaction with potential confirmed case a testing clinic was held at Muli Muli on 1/9/2021. Over 80 tests conducted. |
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| 2. Confirmed Cases in Community | | |
| Restrictions on Access/Egress increased | Community Members monitoring visitors to community to ensure only residents or essential services enter. | Police/LALC/Heath |

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| | <p>Health conducting relevant temperature checks and symptom/Covid 19 questions</p> <p>Police concentrate on vehicle stops and other access locations to community to reduce non-resident attendance.</p> | |
| Community Information | <p>High-risk people advised to remain at home (e.g. those over 50 or those with other existing medical conditions).</p> <p>Further re-enforcement of hygiene practices and social distancing through flyer drop, social media and community leaders</p> | LALC/Community Leaders |
| Case Finding | <p>PHU to do active case finding in communities with increased testing</p> <p>Identify and isolate cases, quarantine contacts and offer cultural support</p> | <p>PHU/NNSW LHD</p> <p>PHU/NNSW LHD</p> |
| <p>Isolation of patients</p> <p>Things to consider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can case self-isolate in a room by themselves? If they can – then ensure all shared bathrooms and living spaces are cleaned immediately after being used by the case. 2. If they can't self-isolate in a separate room, can they move to a bigger | <p>If able to isolate in community, then self-isolation to take place.</p> <p>If unable to self-isolate at home or in community, but not requiring hospitalisation, in the first instance NNSW Health will explore hotel accommodation options with the family. If this is not a suitable option, then further accommodation will be arranged by support agencies or LALC in collaboration with families.</p> | <p>Health/LALC/PHU</p> <p>NNSW Health, LALC,</p> |

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| <p>house to increase the distance between each other?</p> <p>3. NNSW Health can arrange a motel room for the case if this is agreed. If motel room is not suitable then alternative accommodation arrangements will need to be explored with the LALC.</p> | <p>Health to arrange cleaning contractor and maximise hygienic processes upon cessation or quarantine requirements dependent on type of accommodation provided ie. If NNSW Health provided then health pay, if alternate then not paid by health</p> | <p>NNSW Health, private contractors</p> |

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| <p>3. Elimination – virus is not contained</p> | | |
| <p>Community to self-isolate</p> | <p>Community to self-isolate in their own homes.</p> <p>No external access to community other than health and service professionals</p> <p>School to close</p> | <p>Health/LALC</p> <p>Police/LALC</p> <p>Education</p> |

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| | <p>Food and essential supplies to be obtained and distributed to individual homes</p> <p>Health care to demonstrate strong co-ordination and priority of patients at risk.</p> <p>Co-ordination of triage area (LALC building) for Ambulance to take patients requiring hospitalisation</p> <p>Police to assist in complete lockdown and restriction of access through roadblock.</p> | <p>Health/DCJ</p> <p>NNSW LHD AHU, NNSW LHD PHU</p> <p>NNSW LHD AHU, NNSW LHD PHU</p> <p>Police</p> |

Attendance Register

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