

Circular 275:03:20

To: Club Captains
 Chief Instructors
 Junior Coordinators
 Club Presidents

Cc: LSOC Council Delegates
 Aquatic Sports Council Delegates

From: Emma Atkins – General Manager, People

Date: 13 March 2020

Subject: **Health Alerts for Members and Clubs: Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

Action: Review, act and disseminate information as relevant

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Background

In December 2019, cases of a viral pneumonia caused by a previously unknown pathogen were reported in Wuhan, Central China. The pathogen was identified as a novel coronavirus (recently named SAR-CoV-2). SARS-Cov-2 causes the illness now known as coronavirus disease (COVID-19) Currently there are no known treatments (vaccine or anti-viral) against the virus.

Cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) have now been reported in a significant number of countries around the world, including Australia.

Health Alerts for Members and Clubs

Our priority is to ensure the health and safety of our people and community.

With the recent outbreak of COVID-19 around the world, Life Saving Victoria is currently putting in place a number of precautionary actions to mitigate and protect staff, clients and volunteers' members, as much as practical.

Please see latest guidelines for clubs and members to support the health and wellbeing of members and community. This includes reviewing patrol protocols, large events, standard operating procedures, travel and our general business operations.

Life Saving Victoria is seeking advice from the Department of Health and Human Services, Emergency Management Victoria and other expert resources ongoing and will continue to provide latest health information, event information, resources and briefings for clubs and members as relevant.

A webpage is provided to host the latest information www.lsv.com.au/healthalerts

Should Clubs require additional PPE, please contact LSVComms.

Important Information - attached to this circular:

- [Health Alert](#) – provides latest information, guidelines and actions required for clubs and individuals
- [First Responder Checklist](#) – based on latest information key questions and information for those responding and delivering first aid.
- [Communicable Diseases Policy](#) - based on latest information key questions and information for those responding and delivering first aid.

Refer also;

- [Circular 277:03:20 – Victorian Senior / Youth State Championships](#)
- [Circular 276:03:20 - Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Information for Volunteer Training](#)

