

Circular 301:04:08

To: Club Presidents
Cc: Club Secretaries
From: Emma Atkins – General Manager, People
Date: 8 April 2020
Subject: **Health Alerts for Members and Clubs: Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update**
Action: Review, act and disseminate information as relevant

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We thank you for your adaptability, co-operation and support in what has been an extremely challenging time for all the community and for all our members who have been delivering our services over this period of physical distancing.

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 (technically named SAR-CoV-2, and referred to as COVID-19).

Cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) continue to grow, albeit more slowly in the recent few days. While this is an encouraging sign, we cannot be complacent in our efforts to eradicate new infections. We must encourage our colleagues, friends and family to stay the course.

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

Health Alerts for Members and Clubs

Attached to this circular is the [LSV Health Alert](#). This provides latest information, guidelines and actions required for clubs and individuals.

Monitoring of Members that are in Self-Isolation

Please refer to the [Monitoring Self Isolation Cases Circular](#) in relation to the notification process for Clubs in relation to members that have been required to self isolate.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

We have been asked by Emergency Management Victoria (EMV) to ensure that we utilise PPE in a rational way – that means, we only use it when it is needed. If you are unsure when to use the PPE, then please refer to the First Responder Checklist on the [LSV Healthalerts website](#).

We also need to track our PPE levels and report to the Combined Agencies Operations Group (CAOG) within EMV. In order to do this, please refer to the [Circular](#) in relation to PPE stocktake and for further information on CAOG.

Support in Challenging Times

We understand these are particularly uncertain and difficult times for Clubs, members and Community. If you need help during this time, we encourage you to speak with family and friends, and you can call the support services below:

Lifeline Australia: 13 11 14

Beyond Blue: 1300 22 4636

Life Saving Victoria – please contact LSV comms directly.

If members or individuals have any immediate concerns for their or others wellbeing, LSV do recommend seeing a local GP.



Additional welfare resources are available via www.lsv.com.au/healthalerts including information on talking to younger members, immediate response to trauma/loss.

LSV is continuing to seek and receive advice from the Department of Health and Human Services, EMV 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

If you have any questions that aren't detailed in any of the communications, please email our Pandemic Management Team at healthalerts@lsv.com.au

