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All staff email from Professor David Lloyd, Vice-Chancellor and President

Dear Colleagues

You may have seen reports today of the emergence of a localised cluster of COVID19 infections in the north of Adelaide. While disappointing, it is not wholly unexpected to see some recurrence of community transmission in advance of a national vaccination program. There are no instances of infection within the university community at this time.

I wanted to write to you to re-emphasise the importance of practicing physical distancing, good hand hygiene and above all, self-isolation and seeking appropriate medical support in the event that you are feeling unwell. No-one should physically attend at the university if displaying symptoms or feeling unwell.

Operationally, we are in the exam period of SP5 – with examinations online. There are only small instances of face to face teaching underway at present and these are all being delivered in adherence to strict COVID19 physical distancing protocols. I remind you that you can easily use Zoom or Microsoft teams for group meetings as necessary as an alternative to meeting face to face.

It's very important that we don't over-react to this latest news, but equally important that it serves as a reminder to us all that we cannot afford to be complacent in our handling of the health challenge still facing us. A reminder that you can access all the latest information regarding the university's response to COVID19 on the following [webpages](#). Thank you for your ongoing efforts to protect the health and well-being of our university community.

Stay well and safe,