

Novel coronavirus update (COVID-19): Assessors

ANMAC is issuing this communique as the evolving situation surrounding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) continues. Our first priority is ensuring the health and safety of all participants in ANMAC's accreditation processes. We are closely monitoring the situation and our response is guided by publicly available information from the [Australian Government Department of Health](#) and the [World Health Organisation \(WHO\)](#).

At this time, all site visits for 2020 will continue as scheduled and we will notify education providers and assessors should this situation change.

We are liaising with education and training providers to monitor any potential impact COVID-19 may have on the delivery of teaching and clinical placements for Nursing and Midwifery programs. To reduce the risk of contracting or spreading any virus, including COVID-19 and common influenza, we ask that assessors follow the Australian Government Department of Health guidelines around prevention.

Prevention also includes withdrawing from a site visit if you are displaying signs of infection with COVID-19 or any other communicable disease. By staying home, you help protect your colleagues, education and training providers, and ANMAC staff from the risk of infection. If you do need to withdraw from a site visit, please contact Accreditation Services with as much notice as possible.

ANMAC is closely monitoring the situation as it develops. We will continue to be guided by the information released by the Australian Government Department of Health and WHO. We are committed to keeping everyone informed of our response as the situation around COVID-19 evolves. The health and safety of our assessors and staff is, and will continue to be, our priority. We will email assessors with any updates as more information becomes available.

If you have any questions, please contact Accreditation Services on (02) 6274 9166 or accreditation@anmac.org.au.

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