

Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order (No 5) Amendment Order 2021

under the

Public Health Act 2010

I, Brad Hazzard, the Minister for Health and Medical Research, make the following Order under section 7 of the *Public Health Act 2010*.

Dated 2 January 2021.

BRAD HAZZARD, MP Minister for Health and Medical Research

Explanatory note

The object of this Order is to require a close contact of a person diagnosed with COVID-19 to self-isolate for a longer period as directed by an authorised medical practitioner if the close contact does not comply with a request to be tested for COVID-19.

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1 Name of Order

This Order is the Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order (No 5) Amendment Order 2021.

2 Commencement

This Order commences at the beginning of 3 January 2020.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order (No 5) Order 2020

[1] Clause 2 Definitions

Insert in alphabetical order in clause 2(1)—

authorised medical practitioner has the same meaning as in Part 4, Division 4 of the Act.

[2] Clause 4 Direction—persons diagnosed with COVID-19 must self-isolate

Omit the definition of *authorised medical practitioner* from clause 4(6).

[3] Clause 5 Direction—close contacts of persons diagnosed with COVID-19 must self-isolate

Omit ", while residing at the residence or place under a direction under subclause (1)(a), the close contact" from clause 5(4).

Insert instead "a close contact referred to in subclause (1)(a), while residing at the residence or place,".

[4] Clause 5(5)

Insert after clause 5(4)—

- (5) The Minister directs that a close contact referred to in subclause (1)(a), while residing at the residence or place, must, if directed in writing to do so by an authorised medical practitioner—
 - (a) be tested for COVID-19 and provide information about the date, time and location of the test, or
 - (b) continue to comply with this clause for a further period, not exceeding 10 days, specified by the authorised medical practitioner.

[5] Clause 7, heading

Omit "and savings". Insert instead ", savings and transitional provisions".

[6] Clause 7(4)

Insert after clause 7(3)—

(4) Clause 5(5), as inserted by the Public Health (COVID-19 Self-Isolation) Order (No 5) Amendment Order 2021, applies to a close contact who was, immediately before the commencement of that Order, subject to a direction under clause 5.