

# COMMUNITY UPDATE

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## COVID-19 vaccinations

MTHCS medical clinics in Ouyen and Sea Lake have good supply of COVID-19 Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines. **Vaccinations are now available by appointment to people aged 12 years and over.** To contact the Sea Lake medical clinic, phone 5070 2155; or the Ouyen medical clinic, phone 5092 1168.

## COVID-19 PEAK

A reminder Victoria remains in the COVID-Peak risk setting, which means there is a very high risk of COVID-19 transmission in the community. This setting is particularly important as it dictates how health services operate and, unfortunately, it means we are still not permitted to have our volunteers working in the community. To all our fabulous volunteers - we miss you and can't wait to have you back, as soon as it is safe!

## Vaccination and visitors to aged care facilities

We strongly encourage all visitors to our aged care facilities to be vaccinated against COVID-19. As the aged care provider, we reserve the right to put extra safety measures in place if you are not vaccinated, such as virtual visits etc. We must protect our residents and staff, so please respect this decision.

**Please note:** Visitors are not permitted to visit inside our residential aged care facilities (in line with the current community setting of visitors in your own home). Outdoor visits will be permitted for compassionate and end of life reasons only, for up to two people at a time from the same household. Families are asked to phone the facility to discuss their visiting requests. Virtual and window visits are encouraged. Residents are permitted to leave the facility if they wish.



*Thelma Clarke (top image) has been busy knitting AFL scarves and beanies of all colours, which will be sent to a charity to help cancer patients. A big thank you to Thelma for her beautiful work! Doris Reitzel (bottom image) has also been busy; she's pictured here with a beautiful baby beanie she crocheted. Gorgeous work!*

## Poor behaviour not welcome

When you come to MTHCS, we will ask you to wear your face mask and check in. These are the rules in place to help keep our communities safe from COVID-19. These rules apply to everyone, so please don't yell at, abuse or threaten our staff members. There's no excuse for violence or aggression toward our staff members. It's never OK.

*Pictured below is MTHCS staff member Natasha Lockett who often greets people as they enter our Ouyen campus.*



## Employment opportunities

MTHCS has a number of non-gender specific roles available. At MTHCS we demonstrate care, kindness and empathy and embrace positive change.

### Nurse Practitioner (Full Time - Ouyen)

The Nurse Practitioner is a Registered Nurse who is educated and endorsed to function autonomously and collaboratively in an advanced and extended role while meeting the clinical needs of the Medical Clinic.

### People & Culture Administrative Trainee (Full Time/Part Time - Ouyen)

This is a new position within the People & Culture team. This role will help assist positive employee experiences with smooth HR transitions and compliance.

### Occupational Therapist (Full Time Maternity leave - Ouyen)

The Occupational Therapist determines individual capabilities and applies professional expertise to maximise independence and quality of life outcomes for clients.

### Endorsed Enrolled Nurse (0.6 EFT Ouyen)

MTHCS is looking for an Enrolled Nurse with passion, energy and enthusiasm for aged care to join their dedicated team at their Ouyen campus.

MTHCS is an equal opportunity employer. Visit [www.mthcs.vic.gov.au/employment](http://www.mthcs.vic.gov.au/employment) for casual positions, position description or for further information about these exciting roles.

**HOW TO APPLY:** provide your resume with cover letter to [payroll@mthcs.vic.gov.au](mailto:payroll@mthcs.vic.gov.au) or People & Culture, PO Box 130, Ouyen 3490.

