

# COMMUNITY UPDATE

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## COVID-19 vaccinations

Under recent changes to health directions, the following must be vaccinated against COVID-19 by certain dates:

- **Workers in residential aged care facilities**
- **Workers at construction sites**
- **Healthcare workers**
- **People working in schools, childcare and early education services (plus outside school hours care services)**
- **All Authorised Workers.**

The Australian and Victorian governments decide who must be vaccinated, not MTHCS. Our role is to administer vaccinations, so if you need to organise your vaccination, contact our medical clinics in Sea Lake (phone 5070 2155) or Ouyen (phone 5092 1168).

## COVID-19 PEAK

A reminder all of Victoria is classified as COVID-PEAK, which means there is a very high risk of COVID-19 transmission in the community. Under the COVID-Peak setting, visiting services are not allowed onsite at MTHCS, our allied health and community services are for essential health and wellbeing needs only, and visiting to aged care facilities is restricted to 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.



*Pictured above: Sea Lake residents enjoying a game of quoits.*

## Employment opportunities

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

### Children's Services Educators

We are seeking enthusiastic, self-motivated individuals who would like to join our Mallee Minors Childcare team at Ouyen or Sea Lake, with the flexibility to work at other Early Years centres within the cluster. We are currently offering positions to applicants who are Certificate III and Diploma qualified, as well as the opportunity to complete traineeships. Full time/part time and casual positions area available.

### Rural Outreach Worker (2 x Part Time positions)

Rural Outreach Workers aim to improve the wellbeing of community members who are struggling with tough times and to support them navigating services.

### 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.

### 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 our dedicated team at our 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.



*Pictured (top image): Kim Coffey (Receptionist), Lois O'Callaghan (CEO) and Dr Denis Chew (GP) with a lovely thank-you letter and fruit cake from the Buloke Shire Mayor recognising the hard work of Sea Lake staff in the COVID-19 vaccination program; and (centre and bottom) residents enjoying game time (which can get competitive!).*

## Flu vaccinations

A reminder that it is still very important to get your influenza (flu) vaccination, especially if you are pregnant. A minimum 7- day interval is recommended between administration of a COVID-19 vaccine and the flu vaccine. To organise your vaccination, contact our medical clinics in Sea Lake (phone 5070 2155) or Ouyen (phone 5092 1168).



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