

# A Nurses Reflections: On Victoria's COVID-19 Outbreak

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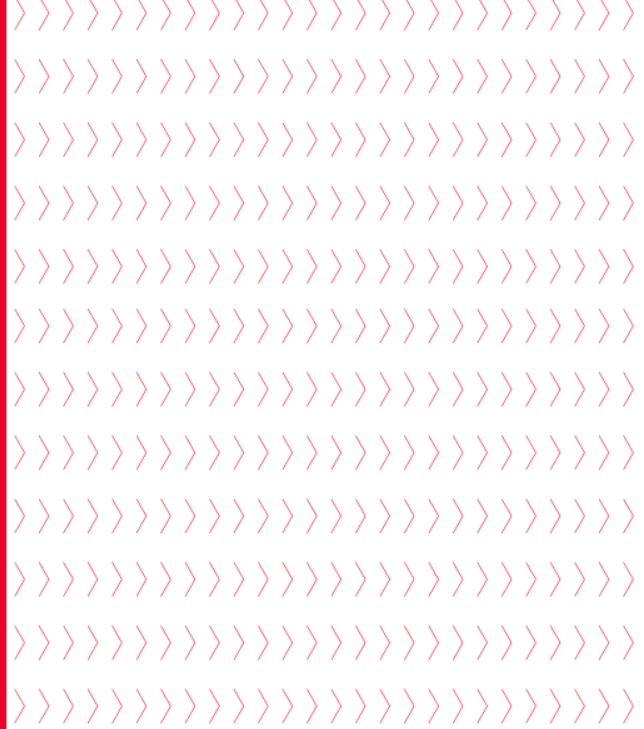


# What I'll Cover Today

The Victorian COVID journey – from hotspots to outbreak

Changing needs, changing roles

Lessons I've learned



# Timeline of the Victorian Second Wave

2<sup>nd</sup> May – first cases in a workplace

8<sup>th</sup> May – first cluster grows

25<sup>th</sup> May – employee at quarantine hotel tests positive

20<sup>th</sup> June – restrictions placed on family gatherings

30<sup>th</sup> June – 10 suburbs identified as hotspots

4<sup>th</sup> July – 2 suburbs added

7<sup>th</sup> July – Greater Melbourne enters 6 week lockdown

2<sup>nd</sup> August – state of Disaster is declared & restrictions are tightened

27<sup>th</sup> September – some easing of restrictions

19<sup>th</sup> October – significant easing of restrictions

Footer <https://grattan.edu.au/news/australias-covid-19-response-the-story-so-far/>

## The Numbers

20,345 cases

819 deaths

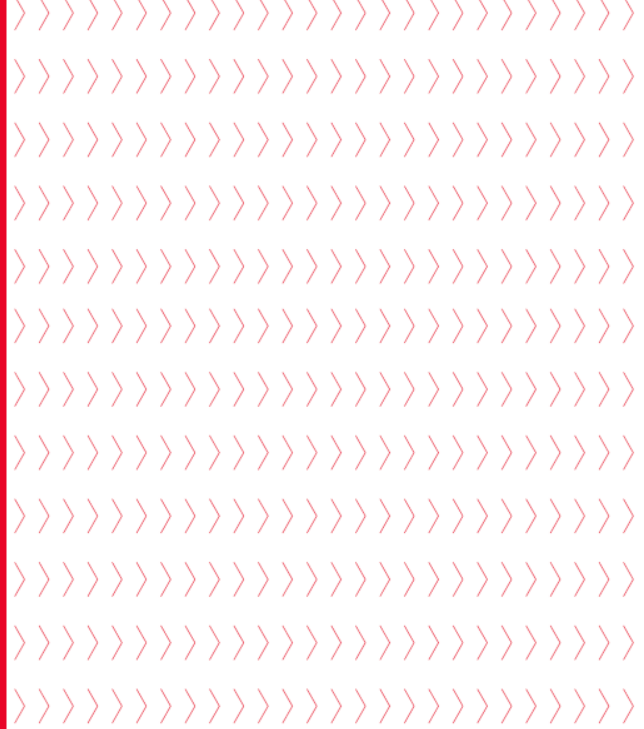
3,322,910 tests

112days

11 “doughnuts”

**Changing roles and  
responsibilities for nurses**

**Screening Centres  
Public Housing  
Aged Care**





The Royal  
Melbourne  
Hospital

# Screening Centre





# Public Housing Response



# Residential Aged Care



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Residents are taken to waiting ambulances at St Basil's nursing home in Fawkner, Melbourne. Picture: NCA NewsWire / David Crosling





## Lessons Learned

Adaptability

Ambiguity

Communication

Teamwork

# Thank You

