



## **COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) PATIENT UPDATE #8**

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Dear Valued Repromed Patient,

I hope this finds you well.

As you may have recently seen in the news, the spike in infection rate within Victoria has seen the South Australian Government remove its approval for reopening the borders between our two states at the end of this month.

In light of the shifting restrictions surrounding the management of COVID-19 within South Australia, I thought it prudent to provide another update.

### **Interstate Patients (Non South Australian Patients).**

As a result of the increased infection rates outside of South Australia, we have set up extra precautions and restrictions for any patient presenting from interstate to our clinic. This includes but not limited to wearing a face mask when in our clinic and being tested for COVID-19 if expected to visit our Day Surgery Unit.

If a patient or member of their immediate family have been to Melbourne in the previous 2 weeks they will not be permitted to book on for treatment at Repromed. This block will remain in place until the Melbourne COVID -19 second wave is brought under control. Patients from country Victoria (Mildura and surrounds) or Broken Hill are still able to attend for treatment, provided they are well and have not been to Melbourne in the prior 2 weeks.

### **Partner Attendance.**

We understand that fertility treatment is an emotional time and balancing the need to adhere to social distancing guidelines and having partners attend certain appointments is challenging. Whilst we continue to monitor the infection rate of COVID-19 in our state, at the current time we are comfortable to again allow partners to be present at pregnancy scans, embryo transfer procedures and the first consultation appointment with a fertility doctor, provided they are totally well.

### **No Children in Clinic.**

To ensure we are conforming to the Government guidelines on individuals gathering in public spaces and to minimise the number of people within our clinic at any given time, we will continue to enforce our no child/ren policy within our clinic. This includes but is not limited to bringing children into our clinic when you are having a blood or scan appointment, consults with a fertility doctor, embryo transfer or counselling sessions.

Your health and that of your fellow patients and our staff are always at the forefront of any decision made at Repromed. I would like to therefore personally offer my thanks for the continued consideration you show to our staff and fellow patients during this challenging time.

Kind regards,  
Professor Kelton Tremellen  
Medical Director