

Palm Island Voice



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PLEASE note there may be some images of deceased persons within this publication.

Vaccinations the way forward, LDMG says

Queensland's Chief Health Officer Dr Jeanette Young has advised Palm Island's Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) that our combined efforts over the past week have worked well to shield our community from potential infection.

LDMG chair Mayor Mislam Sam said Dr Young also advised it was time to move to the most important part of keeping everyone safe – to vaccinate every eligible and willing Palm Islander.

“By the end of the next week we aim to have Palm lead the State with the highest level of completed vaccinations,” Mayor Sam said. “This is the only way to really protect our vulnerable population – our Elders and our sick people – from COVID-19 coming into our community.

“Dr Young has been very supportive of our efforts to date and has confirmed we are in a much better position than we were late last week.

“She has given us positive

updates and our risk assessment over the past 24 hours is looking ‘OK’.”

He said travel to and from the Island would resume tomorrow morning.

“All residents will be encouraged to vaccinate before they return if possible, or be vaccinated as soon as they return to Palm,” he said. “All other visitors are asked to respect the request of the LDMG to visit Palm only if they are vaccinated.

“It is not compulsory, but as a matter of respect, we ask people to consider their need to travel until they are fully vaccinated.

“Everyone is welcome but protecting our community is our top priority.”



Townsville Hospital and Health Service is in Palm Island.
3 July at 16:30 · 📍

📍 Palm Island, we've had a bit of a scare recently and we're so proud of everyone for doing the right thing during lockdown.

Our vaccination team will be on Palm Island THIS week, delivering first and second doses of the vaccine.

It is so important, not just for you, but for family, elders and loved ones, that you get vaccinated.

If you've had your first jab it's so important that you get your second jab. You know how simple and easy it is; come down, bring a mate if you want company in the waiting area, and #gofor100.

Real-world evidence has also shown that the Pfizer is safe for women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or planning a pregnancy.

CLINIC TIMES

Tuesday, 6 July: 10am to 6pm
Wednesday, 7 July: 8am to 6pm
Thursday, 8 July: 8am to 6pm
Friday, 9 July: 8am to 2pm

Vaccines will be given at the Palm Island Primary Health Care Centre. To book ahead, call the centre on (07) 4752 5957

Our nurses and staff are on hand to answer any questions and help you with paperwork if you need it.

For more information, head to this link:
<https://www.health.gov.au/>



Vaccines are tested thoroughly for safety before they're made available to the public

Vaccines go through extensive trials before they can be introduced in a country. Expert doctors and scientists follow strict international standards while deciding to make a vaccine available to the public. Like all medicines, vaccines may cause side effects that are usually minor and temporary. More serious side effects are extremely rare. A person is far more likely to be seriously harmed by a disease than by its vaccine.

Source: World Health Organization



COVID-19 vaccines were developed quickly while maintaining the highest safety standard possible

The need for a COVID-19 vaccine was urgent, so governments and companies spent much more money on developing it. Research and development took place at the same time around the world, while still following strict safety and clinical standards. This allowed for faster vaccine development, but doesn't make the studies any less rigorous or the vaccine any less safe.

Source: World Health Organization

VACCINATION CLINICS

The LDMG is committed to every Palm Islanders being offered a vaccination within the next week or so.

All stakeholders are working together to ensure we assist people get to the clinic and get protected.

OTHER AGENCIES

All Government departments, contractors, visitors, NGOs etc are asked to establish whether their staff or service providers have been vaccinated for COVID-19. The LDMG requests only staff who have been inoculated come to work on Palm.

TOWNSVILLE VACCINATIONS

If you live or work on Palm you can receive your vaccination (Pfizer) without delay. Please advise you live or work or travel to Palm when booking and you will get quickly vaccinated. Please make the necessary arrangements prior to travel.

Aboriginal Land Act 1991

Correction Notice regarding Minister's Intention to Appoint Grantee

This notice refers to the 'Notice of the Minister's Intention to Appoint' the Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC ICN 7002 as grantee as published in the Cairns Post and Townsville Bulletin on **Saturday 4 July 2020**, Mareeba Express on **Wednesday 8 July 2020**, North Queensland Register on **Thursday 9 July 2020** and Palm Island Voice on **Thursday 16 July 2020**.

Notice is given that the Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef and Minister for Science and Youth Affairs corrects the appointment of **Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC ICN 7002** as grantee of lot 20 on SP296959 and lot 25 on SP309114, to hold the land in trust for the Aboriginal people particularly concerned with the land, their ancestors and descendants, pursuant to section 40 of the *Aboriginal Land Act 1991*.

Notice is given that the Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef and Minister for Science and Youth Affairs corrects the grant of lot 1-3, 22 and 212 on SP292287 as advertised, to lot 1-3, 22 and 212 on SP154458 and the appointment of **Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC ICN 7002** as grantee to hold the land in trust for the native title holders of the land pursuant to Section 39 of the *Aboriginal Land Act 1991*.

A map of the proposed transfer area is available from the office listed below.

Written representations must be received by **5.00 pm on Monday 26 July 2021** and may be made to:

The Honourable Meaghan Scanlon
Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef and Minister for Science and Youth Affairs
C/- The A/Director
Cape York Peninsula Tenure Resolution Program
Department of Environment and Science
5B Sheridan Street
CAIRNS QLD 4870
or
PO Box 4597
CAIRNS QLD 4870

For further information, contact the Cape York Peninsula Tenure Resolution Program on (07) 4222 5185 during office hours.



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