

## **PCBT COVID-19 Policy and Procedures**

This page provides information, advice and procedures for the Perth College of Business and Technology (PCBT) community. We encourage you to check the PCBT website and/or your emails frequently for updated information.

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The outbreak of the COVID-19 virus (previously known as novel coronavirus) has evolved rapidly since first being detected in Wuhan, in the Hubei Province of China in December 2019. The situation is still extremely fluid and PCBT is following WA Government advice and Federal Government advice to protect the health and safety of the PCBT community.

Australia will deny entry to anyone who has left or transited mainland China from 1 February 2020 with the exception of:

- Australian citizens
- permanent residents
- immediate family members of Australian citizens and permanent residents including spouses, minor dependants and legal guardians.

The Australian Government has applied travel restrictions to foreign nationals who were:

- in Iran on or after 1 March 2020
- in South Korea on or after 5 March 2020
- in Italy on or after March 11th 2020

Australian citizens, permanent residents, and their immediate family will still be able to enter Australia but will be required to isolate themselves for 14 days after the date they left China, Iran, the Republic of Korea or Italy.

Procedure to follow:

- If you *are at college or any PCBT campus* and begin displaying flu-like symptoms (not just a sneeze), alert your trainer or another member of staff.
- If you *are at home* and have flu-like symptoms, you should stay at home and seek medical advice.
- If you begin to experience flu-like symptoms *while at college*, please speak immediately with your trainer and/or another member of staff and then self-isolate.

- If you have recently travelled overseas or have had contact with anyone confirmed to have the virus, you should adhere to the latest isolation advice from the Australian Government Department of Health.
- **If you suspect you may have coronavirus symptoms or may have had close contact with a person who has coronavirus, you should contact the Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080.**

For further advice from the government regarding the impact on PCBT, read this information sheet.

We understand that members of the PCBT community are concerned about this situation. Please check the PCBT website and/or your emails frequently for updated information. PCBT is monitoring the situation and the advice from the Government as part of developing PCBT's response to the COVID-19 virus.

Home isolation, quarantine periods and/or the spread of COVID-19 can be stressful and may leave you feeling concerned. There are a range of support services available, including talking to the college counsellor Malisa (email [counsellor@pcbt.wa.edu.au](mailto:counsellor@pcbt.wa.edu.au)) or other mental health professional or ring the Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080.

We will continue to update students and staff as new information becomes available, and take actions to protect the health and wellbeing of our community.

Updated information:

<https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/news-media/current-alerts/novel-coronavirus>