

MEDIA STATEMENT

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GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CONFIRMS COVID-19 CASE IN ALEXANDRA

The Gauteng Department of Health notes recent reports of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in Alexandra in the Johannesburg District. The Department can confirm that there are five people who are currently under quarantine after being in close contact with a confirmed case. The confirmed case, tested and was instructed to remain under selfisolation while awaiting results.

Upon positive confirmation of results, our team of tracers working with law enforcement agencies tracked the confirmed case to Limpopo. He had disregarded an instruction and travelled outside of the province last week before the lock down. He is currently under isolation in a health facility in Limpopo.

All known close contacts have already been identified, tested and are in quarantine pending results. Our tracing team will continue to work on the tracking and tracing of other possible contacts.

We are urging communities to take heed of the lockdown measures and act responsibly, so that together we can contain and prevent further spread of COVID-19.

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