

## CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

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Wow, what a unique situation we all find ourselves in!

In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, we've been working hard (like everyone else) to make sure we have a plan in place to look after the health and wellbeing of our all our staff, contractors, research partners, collaborators and the greater community.

To ensure the success of our 2020 trial program, we're also considering various contingencies in the event that restrictions are escalated.

The Australian Government are issuing updates and recommendations regularly and we've found them really helpful in putting our plan together. The link provided below is a great start for individuals, families and businesses alike.

[www.health.gov.au/](http://www.health.gov.au/)

There are lots of other great sources of information available online too so we encourage you to do some reading to make sure you, your family, staff and business partners can keep your risk of exposure, and the spread of COVID-19, to a minimum.

### So what does this mean for Hart right now?

Our staff are working from home wherever possible, observing recommended hygiene and social distancing practices, utilising alternate methods of communication such as email, telephone and video conferencing whenever necessary and limiting unnecessary travel.

We collaborate regularly with many other organisations and are committed to respecting their individual policies and directives too.

In addition, we have restricted access to our field site to 'by appointment only' until further notice.

Aside from those changes, it really is business as usual at Hart. You're welcome to contact us at any time; you'll find the phone numbers and email addresses of our staff and board members on our website: [www.hartfieldsite.org.au](http://www.hartfieldsite.org.au).

We're not making a call about Hart events for 2020 yet but we're keeping up to date with Australian Government recommendations as they evolve and will provide further information as we know more.

Look after yourselves and stay well!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sandy Kimber'.

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