

The Australian oil and gas industry is responding to the personnel and operational challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure vital energy supplies are maintained.

More information on the measures the Australian oil and gas industry is taking to ensure the health and safety of our employees, contractors and the broader community can be found here: www.appea.com.au

Getting People to Site

- Members are only moving essential personnel to and from sites
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 - Checks before travel and entering site: all personnel are required to self-assess their health, and anyone showing symptoms will immediately be placed into isolation
 - Increased cleaning protocols are in place
 - Members are using private/charter travel where necessary, and conducting separate transit to sites to maintain separation from local communities



At Sites

- All teams are continuously updated on government requirements and advice
- Workforce are required to report any changes in health or well-being at any time whilst on work site
- Social and physical distancing is maintained
- Hygiene practices have been enhanced, with more handwashing facilities available and workplace education programs rolled out



Managing Risks

- In the event of a suspected infection: operators will maintain isolation and quarantine
- protocols in accordance with government requirements
- Offshore workers will be evacuated to isolated onshore accommodation
- Cleaning protocols will be implemented, including sanitisation of workers workspace and accommodation



Working with Communities

- Face-to-face activities have ceased, however members are working with local communities to drive community-led health planning
- Strict hygiene protocols are in place for employees undertaking essential services in communities
- Supporting local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services providers to undertake awareness activities and implement hygiene protocols