

# Media Release

The Hon Daniel Andrews MP  
Premier



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## STAYING SAFE IS IN OUR HANDS

Victorians are doing an amazing thing – staying home and staying safe.

And it's our actions that are slowing the spread of this virus and reducing the number of people and families that are suffering because of it.

But even as we drive case numbers down, and as we've seen around the world, without a vaccine – the incredibly infectious nature of coronavirus will mean it will continue to be an ever-present threat.

It's why, as part of the latest in the Victorian Government's communications campaign, some of our most loved Victorians are here to remind us all – staying safe is in our hands.

As part of the push, Sharon Strzelecki, Shane Jacobson, Tayla Harris, Waleed Aly, Nazeem Hussain and more are asking every Victorian to play their part in stopping the spread of coronavirus – now and for some time to come.

That includes small but simple things like wearing a mask, washing your hands, keeping your distance – and getting tested if you have symptoms.

Using Victorian voices and a very Victorian sense of humour, this is the latest in our ongoing advertising and communications efforts and will be successively rolled out on social media channels in the coming days.

Despite promising new signs, we're still without a coronavirus vaccine.

That means, no matter when we ease restrictions, precautions like wearing a mask, physically distancing and being on the lookout for symptoms must continue to be part of our "COVID Normal," for some time to come.

For now, Victorians are being asked to abide by the restrictions, wear a mask and wherever they live, get tested if they have even the slightest of symptoms.

Staying safe is in our hands.

To view the collection of videos from our most-loved Victorians, visit [www.vic.gov.au/coronavirus](http://www.vic.gov.au/coronavirus)

### Quotes attributable to Premier Daniel Andrews

*"The truth is that even with case numbers coming down, without a vaccine, this isn't over. But with small, simple steps we can keep ourselves and each other safe – now and into the future."*

*"Keeping a hold on this wickedly infectious virus will take all of our efforts. But I know Victorians are tough – and we will get through this together."*