## Australian Capital Territory

# Public Health (Novel Coronavirus – Temporary Notifiable Condition) Declaration 2020

### Disallowable Instrument DI2020-14

made under the

**Public Health Act 1997, s 101 (a) and (b) (Notifiable Conditions – temporary status)**

1. **Name of Instrument**Public Health (Novel Coronavirus – Temporary Notifiable Condition) Declaration 2020.
2. **Commencement**  
   This instrument commences the day after it is notified.
3. **Declaration**  
   The novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) first identified by Chinese authorities on 7 January 2020 is declared to be a transmissible notifiable condition.   
     
   Persons with notification obligations in Division 6.2 of the Public Health Act 1992 must notify if they have reasonable grounds to believe that a person has, **or may have (i.e. suspected)**, novel coronavirus (2019‑nCoV).
4. **Notification requirements - novel coronavirus (2019‑nCoV) -**  
   DI2017‑211, being the Reporting of Notifiable Condition Code of Practice 2017 (the Code of Practice) applies to novel coronavirus (2019‑nCoV). Novel coronavirus (2019‑nCoV) is to be treated as a ‘Group A’ notifiable condition under the Code of Practice, which requires immediate notification by telephone, followed by written notification within 5 days.

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