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Dear Mr Batty

There have been several clusters of COVID-19 in NSW in recent weeks, including six cases linked to the Planet Fitness gym in Casula. This cluster at a gym highlights the need for gym operators to be meticulous in their management of physical distancing and hygiene when implementing their COVID-19 Safety Plan (<a href="https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/industry-guidelines/sports-recreation-and-gyms">https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/industry-guidelines/sports-recreation-and-gyms</a>).

Given the evidence of transmission in a gym, I expect that gyms will have staff present to supervise physical distancing and hygiene practices at all times. This expectation is for all gyms, including those that operate 24 hours a day.

I would be grateful if you could communicate this advice to your members as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Dr Kerry Chant PSM Chief Health Officer