

Below is a list of sources that are relevant to COVID-19 and places of detention in the Australian criminal legal system. There is also a general, non-COVID-19 section at the end relating to detention and the criminal legal system in Australia (including a dedicated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People & the Criminal Legal System section). This list was first compiled on 27/04/20, and was last updated on **28/06/20**. New additions since the previous version have been highlighted for ease of reference.

Kind regards,  
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