

28 June 2021

Dear Residents, Families and Visitors

Residential Aged Care Providers in NSW have received new mandatory instructions issued by NSW Health in response to the continuing outbreak in Sydney.

Unfortunately, the number of cases of the highly contagious Delta strain of the coronavirus has continued to increase prompting NSW Health to issue a warning for Greater Sydney and implement a number of restrictions across regional NSW including in Aged Care.

Effective immediately the following restrictions apply:

## Visitor Restrictions

- No visitors are permitted from the Greater Sydney area (including the regions of Blue Mountains, Central Coast, Wollongong and Shellharbour).
- Residents are limited to a maximum of 2 visitors per day.
- Visits must take place in Resident rooms.
- All visitors must wear a surgical mask whilst in the facility.

## **Resident Excursions**

Residents can continue to leave the facility to attend gatherings so long as there will be no persons at the gathering who has been in the Greater Sydney area (including the regions Blue Mountains, Central Coast, Wollongong and Shellharbour) since June 21. Prior to leaving the facility the Resident and/or their substitute decision maker must complete a declaration confirming this.

We recommend avoiding public venues that make maintaining a social distance of 1.5m difficult and wearing a mask at all times while in public.

## Other Restrictions

The Chapel, Barney's Cafe, Coco's Hair and Beauty Salon will remain available to Residential Care Residents only, subject to the 1 person per 4sqm rule.

We will be in touch again with updates as they arise in the coming days.

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