

21 July 2020

Our Residents and Representatives James Barker House Aged Care Centre The Salvation Army Aged Care

RE: MANDATORY MASKS IN METROPOLITAN MELBOURNE AND MITCHELL SHIRE

Dear All,

As you know our State government has issued a directive stating that as of 11:59pm, Wednesday 22 July, all those who live and work in Metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire who are over the age of 12 will now be required to wear a mask when leaving their home. This is being enforced with a \$200 fine for people who don't comply with the new directive. This of course includes all of us at James Barker House.

The Stage 3 "Stay at Home" restrictions are also still in place which only allows anyone in this area to leave home for one of the following four reasons: shopping for food and supplies, outdoor exercise and recreation, medical care and caregiving, and study or work – if it can't be done from home.

As there is a high risk of community transmission of COVID-19 in Victoria at the moment, for those able to visit the centre, masks will need to worn as a precautionary measure. Once the mask is secured, you shouldn't touch your face and when you have finished using the mask, please dispose of it safely.

Thank you for your continued understanding and patience as we work together to ensure the safety of all.

Should you have any questions, please speak to your Centre Manager.

Kind regards,

Samantha Feddema

General Manager - Residential Services

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