



23 December 2020

Our Residents and Representatives
Barrington Lodge Aged Care Centre
The Salvation Army Aged Care

RE: VISITING RESTRICTIONS IN TASMANIA

Dear All,

We are writing to confirm the visiting restrictions for the holiday period which are in alignment with the State and Federal requirements and Direction No. 10 for Residential Aged Care Facilities which is current at the time of writing. You can review the information as published on the Tasmanian Government website at the following link:

<https://coronavirus.tas.gov.au/families-community/aged-care-facility-visits>

As extracted, please see the following:

- No more than two people can visit each resident at any time.
- Visits must take place in the resident's room, outdoors, or in a non-communal area, as designated by the facility.
- Visitors must not have any symptoms of acute respiratory infection, including fever (higher than 37.5 degrees), signs of fever (e.g. chills, night sweats), cough, sore throat, runny nose, shortness of breath or loss of taste or smell.
- Unless an exemption has been granted visitors must not be in quarantine. That means they must not have:
 - been in an area identified as medium or high-risk for COVID-19 in the previous 14 days
 - had contact with anyone known to have COVID-19, or reasonably suspected of having COVID-19, within the previous 14 days (except as part of their employment while wearing effective personal protective equipment).
- All visitors must have had the 2020 influenza vaccine.
- Operators of aged care facilities must screen all people before they enter the premises.
- Each resident may receive multiple visits each day, subject to each service's policies.
- The maximum duration of visits is subject to each service's policies.
- Children under the age of 16 years and visiting services such as hairdressers and allied health professionals may visit aged care facilities.
- Residents may leave the facility, for example with family and friends



In addition, according to The Salvation Army Aged Care's internal Risk Matrix:

- no large group gatherings permitted however gatherings of residents in communal or outdoor areas which adhere to physical distancing and current jurisdictional requirements for gathering size are permitted;
- visitors must practise physical distancing where possible including maintaining a distance of 1.5 metres;
- visits to be in resident room and outside (including courtyards);
- no family members to gather in communal areas inclusive of the dining area.

We appreciate all that you are doing to keep your loved ones and our residents safe at this time. If you have any questions, please get in touch with your Centre Manager.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sjukes'.

Samantha Jukes

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The Salvation Army Aged Care