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

**RE: A NEW CARE FACILITIES DIRECTION FOR VICTORIA**

Dear All,

We are writing to advise you that there is a new Care Facilities Direction in effect in Victoria. At 11:59pm on Friday, 26 February 2021, Care Facilities Direction (No 23) came into effect and it revokes Care Facilities Direction (No 22). Based on the release of this new Direction, the following changes are now in place at James Barker House Aged Care Centre:

- There are no limits on the purpose of visits, the number of visitors to residential aged care facility.
- All visitors must wear a face mask when visiting aged care facility.
- Clause 5 (2): A person below cannot enter the residential aged care facility if you:
  - are a diagnosed person or close contact under the Diagnosed Persons and Close Contacts Directions
  - have, during the 14 days prior to entry, arrived in Australia from overseas (other than on a quarantine-free flight from an overseas location designated by the Australian Government as a green travel zone);
  - have, during the 14 days prior to entry, had known contact with a confirmed case (except in the course of your employment while wearing the appropriate level of personal protective equipment in the circumstances)
  - have SARS-CoV-2 Symptoms or have been tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting your test results.

If you would like to review the new Direction, it is available at the following link:

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/202102/Care%20Facilities%20Directions%20%28No%2023%29%20-%2026%20February%202021%20%28signed%29.pdf>

Based on the above changes, we have reviewed our internal Risk Assessment Matrix and we will move your Centre to Risk Level 3 effective immediately. Thank you for your continued support and understanding. If you have any questions, please get in touch with your Centre Manager.

Kind regards,

**Samantha Jukes**  
General Manager – Residential Services  
The Salvation Army Aged Care