



12 February 2021

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

RE: STAGE 4 RESTRICTIONS IN VICTORIA TO COME INTO EFFECT

Dear All,

We are writing to advise you that based on an announcement made by the Premier of Victoria this afternoon, all of Victoria will move to Stage 4 restrictions as of 11:59pm tonight, 12 February 2021, until 11:59pm on Wednesday, 17 February 2021. This is due to a number of cases of the more contagious variant of COVID-19 being detected in Victoria, and as such, Victorian residents will only be permitted to leave their home for one of the four following reasons: shopping for necessary goods and services (one person per household, once per day, a support person can accompany if required); caregiving or compassionate reasons; essential work or permitted education; exercise (can leave for two hours of exercise).

In addition, all residents must stay within 5kms of their home unless they are leaving for essential work or essential shopping. Masks are also to be worn everywhere other than when at home and public and private gatherings not permitted.

According to these Stage 4 restrictions, visitors will not be permitted to access residential aged care centres for the duration of the lockdown period unless they are providing end of life care. Non-essential contractors are restricted from entering the Centre as well. We have reviewed our internal Risk Assessment Matrix as result of this announcement and James Barker House will be moving to Risk Level 5 as a precaution until otherwise advised.

We ask that you regularly check the Department of Health and Human Services ("DHHS") contact tracing website to monitor if you have been to any of the locations listed:

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/case-locations-and-outbreaks-covid-19>

Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we align with the State-based restrictions at this time. Should 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