

## 4 February 2021

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

## RE: A NEW RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE FACILITIES DIRECTION FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Dear All,

We are writing to advise you that the South Australian Government has issued a new Residential Aged Care Facilities Direction for South Australia. Emergency Management (Residential Aged Care Facilities No 26) (COVID-19) Direction 2020 came into effect at 2:04 pm on 2 February 2021 and revokes the Emergency Management (Residential Aged Care Facilities No 25) (COVID-19) Direction 2021.

According to this new Direction, the following are now in effect:

- No person who has travelled from any place other than a low community transmission zone in the last 14 days is permitted to enter or remain on the premises of a residential aged care centre in South Australia. This includes:
  - Western Australia: effective 2.04 pm 2 February, people arriving in South Australia from Western Australia who have not been in a prohibited zone (Perth Region, Peel Region, and South West Region) on or after 26 January 2021, are permitted to enter and remain on the premises of a residential aged care facility after receiving written confirmation of a negative COVID-19 Day 1 test.
  - New South Wales: effective 12.01am 31 January, people arriving in South Australia who have been in the Greater Sydney Region (as defined by the Greater Sydney Commission Act 2015 NSW), NSW Central Coast Council or Wollongong City Council in the previous 14 days, are permitted to enter a residential aged care facility after receiving written confirmation of a negative COVID-19 test.
  - New Zealand: effective 10.15 pm 31 January 2021, people arriving in South Australia having arrived from New Zealand on or after the commencement of this Direction, or who have been in New Zealand on or after 14 January 2021, are permitted to enter a residential aged care facility after receiving written confirmation of a negative COVID-19 test.

For your reference, here is a link to the latest Direction:

https://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0018/350190/Emergency-Management-Residential-Aged-Care-Facilities-No-26.pdf



Based on this new Direction, your Centre will remain at Risk Level 3 on our internal Risk Assessment Matrix. As always, we would like to remind you to be vigilant about your hand hygiene and physical distancing when visiting your loved one and when in the community. If you have any questions, please get in touch with your Centre Manager.

Kind regards,

Samantha Jukes

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