



12 March 2021

Our Residents and Representatives  
The Salvation Army Aged Care  
New South Wales

**RE: A CHANGE TO AGED CARE LEGISLATION IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

Dear All,

We are writing to advise you of the following change to Aged Care legislation in New South Wales:

- The [Public Health \(COVID-19 Aged Care Facilities\) Order \(No 4\) 2020](#) has been repealed from 12:01am 11 March 2021. Residential aged care facilities will now be required to consider the [advice of the Chief Health Officer](#) in their visitor and access policies and requirements. The functions of this Order have been transferred to the [Public Health \(COVID-19 Restrictions on Gathering and Movement\) Order 2021](#).

In addition and according to the directives issued by NSW Health on 25 February 2021:

- Visitors are not required to wear a surgical mask in a facility located in NSW.
- Residents have no restrictions on the number of visitors they can have each day and can attend outings such as medical appointments, visit locations in the community such as shops and cafes.

Please note that the information supplied by the Chief Health Officer at the above link does change regularly so we recommend that you continue to check the link should it be updated.

We also ask that you continue to be vigilant about your hand hygiene and that you maintain physical distancing at this time. Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions, please get in touch with your Centre Manager.

Kind regards,

**Samantha Jukes**  
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The Salvation Army Aged Care