



29 April 2021

Our Residents and Representatives
The Salvation Army Aged Care
Queensland

RE: A NEW AGED CARE DIRECTION FOR QUEENSLAND

Dear All,

We are writing to advise you that the Queensland Government and Queensland Health have released a new Aged Care Direction for Queensland. At 10:30pm on 28 April 2021, Aged Care Direction 28 came into effect and it revokes Aged Care Direction 27. Based on this new Direction, the following is now in effect:

- Visitors cannot enter a residential aged care facility if:
 - They are a [close contact](#) of someone with COVID-19, unless their quarantine period has ended
 - They have been to an [interstate exposure venue](#) in the last 14 days
 - From 30 May 2021, has not had the 2021 flu vaccine, if it is available to you (this includes children over 6 months of age). Unless the person has a medical contraindication to the flu vaccine OR the person is observing the recommended waiting period between receiving the COVID-19 vaccine and the flu vaccine.

If you would like to review the latest Direction, you can do so at the following link with the understanding that the link may be updated pending a change in Direction:
<https://www.health.qld.gov.au/system-governance/legislation/cho-public-health-directions-under-expanded-public-health-act-powers/aged-care>

We have reviewed our internal Risk Assessment Matrix as a result of this Direction change and your Centre will remain at Risk Level 3 until otherwise advised.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with your Centre Manager.

Kind regards,

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The Salvation Army Aged Care