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Dear residents, and visitors,

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Covid19 - restrictions remain in place for residential aged care

As the Victorian Government commences to slowly ease restrictions for the Victorian public this week, it is important we remind you of the current restrictions for those, living and visiting residential aged care homes.

Both State and Federal Governments realise the importance of protecting the safety of everyone in a residential aged care home, so the previous restrictions still remain, nothing has changed. Wintringham we are committed to following the advice and directions given to us by both Governments, so we'd like to remind you:

- Stay in your home as much as possible Wintringham continue to actively discourage all residents from leaving the grounds of your home
- Physical distancing. This means you should do your best to remain 1.5 metres between you and others
- Let someone know immediately if you have a runny nose, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath or are feeling a little unwell
- All residents are screened for illness on a daily basis

Daily health checks remain in place for all staff, while all contractors and visitors will continue to be screened for evidence of flu vaccination and illness before they enter a home.

An 'Industry Code for Visiting Residential Aged Care Homes during COVID-19' has been released by consumer advocacy organisations and aged care peak bodies throughout Australia. The code provides a nationally consistent approach for visiting aged care homes while minimising the risk of spreading COVID-19.

Please remember, your Supervisor or Residential Care Manager are there for you to talk to. Thank you for your understanding and support, as we continue to maintain the high standards we have set at Wintringham to keep everyone safe.

Yours sincerely,

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