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Dear Residents and Visitors

Re: Covid-19 Stage 3 "Stay at Home" restrictions

I hope this letter finds you well in these challenging times. I'd like to reassure you that we remain focused on continuing to provide you with the support you need during this COVID-19 pandemic. Our staff have all been provided with training and have access to Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to ensure they can continue delivering services to you safely.

As you may have heard, metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire have been placed under Stage 3 restrictions for six weeks commencing midnight 9 July 2020. This means the government will again be enforcing by law that people must stay home.

What do **Stage 3 restrictions** mean for you?

- All gatherings are restricted to no more than two people
- Social distancing rules should also be observed (1.5 metres between yourself and other people)
- People should be staying in their own homes

Government have advised that there are only four reasons to be out:

- Shopping for what you need food and essential supplies
- Medical, care or compassionate needs
- Exercise, as long as it meets public gathering requirements
- · Work and study if you can't work or learn from home

Wintringham will continue checking all residents, visitors and staff (including visiting workers and volunteers) daily to ensure we are following all government safety guidelines. People will not be able to enter any Wintringham Aged Care Home if they have:



- Returned from overseas in the last 14 days
- Been in contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- A fever, cough, sore throat, runny nose, shortness of breath, loss of smell or taste symptoms
- Not received the influenza vaccination evidence of immunisation is required to enter

The following visitation rules will remain in place:

- No more than two people, for no more than two hours per day
- Visits will not occur in communal areas
- Large group activities or entertainment, will not be permitted
- Children aged 16 years and under will be discouraged from visiting
- All people on site will practice social distancing practices where possible

Please remember, the Residential Care Manager is there for you to talk to should you have any queries or concerns.

Thank you for your understanding and support, as we continue to maintain the high standards we have set to keep everyone safe.

Yours sincerely

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