

25 June 2021

To all Charingfield families, visitors, staff, visiting medical and allied health practitioners and contractors.

I am writing to provide you with an up-date on Covid-19 related restrictions at Charingfield based on Revised Department of Health directives released 25th June 2021.

Until further notice:

- Waverley is once again a declared Covid-19 hotspot. Because Charingfield is located in Waverley, full visitor restrictions have been introduced. No visitors are allowed to visit. Visits can be considered on a case-by-case basis where there are compassionate grounds, please contact me if you believe this the case.
- This takes immediate effect from now 5pm 25 June 2021 till 2 July 2021 or further advice from NSW Health.
- All staff, contractors and visiting health practitioners must wear a surgical mask while onsite.

A summary of current restrictions follows:

<p>1. Anyone entering the premises. This includes staff, visiting health practitioners, contractors, visitors, Government, and emergency services personnel</p>	<p>Must sign in, have their temperature checked and answer the following screening questions. People who meet the following criteria will not be allowed entry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People who have returned from a place outside Australia in the past 14 days. • People who have visited a declared Covid-19 hotspot in Australia in the past 14 days. • People who have been in close contact with a person confirmed to have Covid-19 in the past 14 days. • People who have not had seasonal Influenza vaccination for the 2021 season. • People who have a temperature equal to or greater than 37.5 degrees Celsius. • People who have symptoms of respiratory illness.
<p>2. Visitors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitors are not currently allowed. • Visits will be considered on a case-by-case basis where there are compassionate grounds (with appropriate protective measures in place including wearing a surgical mask). • Please contact the Residential Service Manager if you believed you are eligible for a visit on compassionate grounds.
<p>3. Community activities and outings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charingfield is not currently running outings, excursions, and incursions as part of its lifestyle program.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leaving the facility poses a risk to individual residents and to other residents in the facility – residents are requested not to leave the facility and may be required to self-isolate for 14 days on their return depending on the circumstances of the outing.
4. Employees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are allowed to enter if they meet all the conditions at 1 above (and always wear a surgical mask while on-site). Staff are not currently permitted to work in another residential aged care service. Please speak to your direct supervisor if you have a second employer. Mask to be worn on all public transport to and from work.
5. Visiting medical and other health care practitioners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are allowed to enter if they meet all of the conditions at 1 above and wear a surgical mask at all times while on the premises. We are working closely with practitioners who visit other aged care facilities to minimise risks.
6. Contractors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential contractors only are allowed to enter if they meet all the conditions at 1 above and always wear a surgical mask while on-site. Please contact Charingfield before attending.

The above restrictions will remain in place until further notice. In the meantime, please contact me if I can provide further information about any aspect of Charingfield's strategies for preventing an outbreak, our response to public health advice, or any aspect of this letter.

I recognise that the restrictions associated with the Covid-19 pandemic may be stressful and appreciate your continued support.

Thank you as always,

Catherine Riches
Residential Service Manager