



18/12/2020

Dear resident/ family member / representative,

I would like to inform you that as of Monday 21, December, Garrison Brassington, will be taking the reins from Renee Bognar as Manager of Residential Care (MRC) of our HIPPOCRATES residential care home in Mayfield.

Renee will be returning to Melbourne to manage one of our care homes there. We thank her for all her hard work and effort during her appointment to our Mayfield home. She has displayed great leadership steering us through the pandemic and its challenges and ensuring full compliance with aged care quality and safety standards.

Garrison has worked closely with Renee for over a year now a Clinical Care Coordinator. We welcome Garrison to the new role and have every confidence that he will do an exceptional job as the new MRC.

Garrison's contact details are garrison.brassington@fronditha.org and 0417 838 726.

NSW has issued updated guidance on visitation in areas affected by the local outbreak

Re: Covid-19 outbreak of Northern Beaches

The latest update from NSW Health is that **anyone**, who has been in the Northern Beaches Local Government area, Penrith or Peakhurst in the Last 14 days, must self-isolate and get tested for COVID-19. Consumers' visitors who have visited these areas in the last 14 days are not permitted to visit an aged care facility.

Change of rules regarding requirement to have the influenza vaccine to enter an aged care facility

The latest Public Health Order (COVID-19 Aged Care Facilities) states exceptions permitting people that have not had the influenza vaccine to enter an aged care facility. People do not need to have had the vaccine if they satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) the vaccination is not available to the person, or
- (ii) the person presents to the operator of the residential aged care facility a certificate in the approved form, issued by a medical practitioner, certifying that the person has a medical contraindication to the vaccination against influenza, or
- (iii) the person is making a care and support visit to a resident of the facility, or
- (iv) the person is making a welfare or wellbeing visit to one or more residents of the facility, or
- (v) the person is on the premises—
 - (A) in the person's capacity as a prospective resident of the residential aged care facility, or
 - (B) to accompany the prospective resident.

Please regularly visit the NSW COVID-19 website for information on areas of active community transmission.

Please stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Michael Malakonas', is centered on the page. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the top and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Michael Malakonas

CEO