



Dear Resident/Family Member/Representative

RE: VISITATION TO RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE FACILITIES

Froniditha Care would like to advise that all Residential Aged Care Facilities are now required to consider the Chief Health Officer's advice regarding visitor and access policies. This advice is a result of the recent repeal of the Public Health (COVID-19 Aged Care Facilities) Order No. 4 and the amendment of the Public Health (COVID-19 Restrictions on Gathering and Movement) Order.

The changes apply to:

- management of visitors
- screening of staff and visitors
- arrangements for group recreation and other activities for residents
- wearing of face masks by staff and visitors
- vaccinations against influenza and COVID-19

Froniditha Care remains committed to ensuring that all our residents, families, staff and other stakeholders are safe and protected from the threat of the COVID-19 virus.

As such, Froniditha Care will continue with some of the current arrangements at the Hippocrates Aged Care facility, specifically:

1. All visits will continue to be by appointment so that social distancing can be managed appropriately.
2. All visitors will continue to be screened before entering the facility.
3. All visitors must abide by social distancing rules whilst visiting the facility.
4. We encourage all visitors to be vaccinated against COVID-19 and Influenza.

A copy of the Industry code of Visitation is attached for your reference. We will continue to monitor the situation and communicate any changes. In the meantime, please contact your facility manager, Garrison Brassington, for any further information and or to discuss the Partners in Care Agreement.

Yours Sincerely,



Faye Spiteri
CEO, Froniditha Care

Public Health Orders and Restrictions

To deal with the public health risk of COVID-19 and its possible consequences, the Minister for Health and Medical Research has made a number of Orders, under section 7 of the Public Health Act 2010. Orders can be amended frequently. For the most up to date orders, and the history of each order, visit [NSW Legislation - COVID-related legislation](#).

For help in understanding the public health orders, refer to NSW Government: [What you can and can't do under the rules](#) and [Industry guidelines for COVID Safe workplaces](#) or NSW Health - [Directions under the Public Health Act \(Easy read\)](#)

Residential Aged Care Facilities

The [Public Health \(COVID-19 Aged Care Facilities\) Order \(No 4\) 2020](#) was repealed from 12:01am 11 March 2021.. Individual operators may choose to implement their own decisions about access restrictions and screening requirements, having regard to the advice of the Chief Health Officer. An amendment to the [Public Health \(COVID-19 Restrictions on Gathering and Movement\) Order](#) whereby the Minister directs an operator of a residential aged care facility must consider the advice of the Chief Health Officer in relation to:

1. management of visitors
2. screening of staff and visitors
3. arrangements for group recreation and other activities for residents
4. wearing of face masks by staff and visitors
5. vaccinations against influenza and COVID-19.