

20 July 2021

Restricted entry to all residential aged care facilities in Tasmania For those people who have travelled in a high-risk area or premises in the last 14 days

The Director of Public Health in Tasmania has declared New South Wales and Victoria high-risk areas. Additional high-risk premises in these states, as well as South Australia and Queensland, have also been identified.

Anyone in Tasmania who has recently been in New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland or South Australia must check the list of high-risk premises frequently at www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au/travelalert. This list is updated several times each day.

Furthermore, anyone who has spent time in a high-risk area or premises in the last 14 days (including those in Tasmania who were in Victoria on or since 8 July) <u>must not enter a residential aged care facility</u> in Tasmania, unless exemption is granted by the Director of Public Health.

What does this mean for you?

If you meet any of the above criteria you must not enter a Uniting AgeWell residential aged care facility.

All staff, visitors, volunteers and contractors will continue to be screened on entry and required to complete a declaration form as well as sign in via the Check-in Tas app. If you do not meet the entry criteria (for example, you are unwell or have been exposed to COVID-19 or spent time in a high-risk area or premises in the last 14 days) you will not be permitted to enter and asked to immediately leave.

Please be assured that all COVID-Safe protocols are in place across Uniting AgeWell residences in Tasmania and we will continue to closely monitor the health and wellbeing of all residents in our care; their safety is paramount.

We will keep you informed regarding any further changes or restrictions to visiting guidelines and urge you to remain vigilant.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

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Yours sincerely

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