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## Update re restricted entry and precautionary measures in place at all residential aged care facilities in Tasmania

The Director of Public Health in Tasmania has today declared the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) a High Risk Area.

As a result, this now means anyone who has been in the ACT, NSW, Victoria and some areas of Queensland and premises in Western Australia in the last 14 days is not permitted to enter a residential aged care facility in Tasmania.

Please check <u>www.coronavirus.tas.gov.au/travelalert</u> for the list of high risk areas and premises, noting this list is updated several times each day.

Until 11.59pm on Thursday 19 August, all staff and visitors attending residential aged care facilities are subject to:

- Mandatory wearing of face masks by staff and visitors
- A limit of two visitors per day per resident

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 remain in place across Uniting AgeWell residences in Tasmania and close monitoring of the health and wellbeing of all residents in our care continues; 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.

Yours sincerely

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