

Current Visiting Arrangements for MACI –Starting 12 October 2021

The arrangements outlined below are subject to change at short notice pending public health advice or if a local COVID – 19 outbreak is identified.

Visiting details:

- A maximum of 2 visitors per day aged 12 years and over are permitted to visit a resident if they are fully vaccinated and their second dose was received at least 14 days prior to their visit unless they can provide a COVID -19 medical contraindication certificate or the visit is for end of life and/or compassionate reasons (essential care).
- Children under 12 years of age are not permitted to enter an aged care facility
- Appointments are necessary for all visits. Please pre-book and provide your vaccination evidence in advance to assist on the day.
- Visiting hours will be Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm. Saturday to Sunday 10am to 2.30pm.
- Visitors visiting an UN-vaccinated resident must be Rapid Antigen (RA) tested on entry, please allow 15 mins for this to occur. Please note this when you pre-book.
- Visits are permitted ONLY in either the resident's room or an outside area **but not** in any inside communal areas in the facility. Visits will be one (1) hour in duration.
- All visitors must wear a mask as required via the MACI risk matrix. If you are visiting a non-vaccinated relative, you must wear an N95 mask. Residents are encouraged to also wear a mask.
- All visitors must undertake a wellness check and complete the required sign-in document at the reception entry point on arrival
- All visitors' temperatures must be less than 37.5 °C
- All visitors must use alcohol-based hand sanitiser before entering and leaving the facility
- Please maintain physical distancing of at least 1.5 metres, unless assisting with personal care such as meals; do not stop to chat with others on the way to visiting your loved one

Visitors must not enter the facility at all if they:

- have been to any close, casual or monitor for symptoms locations in NSW or Victoria, Queensland, the ACT or New Zealand in the past 14 days
- have been in a stay at home area in the last 14 days and are not an essential visitor
- have COVID symptoms or are feeling unwell (flu-like symptom including fever (37.50 or higher); cough; sore or scratchy throat; shortness of breath; runny nose; loss of smell; loss of taste)
- are a close contact of a person with confirmed COVID-19 and are within their isolation period
- live in a household with a person who is currently isolating
- are waiting for a COVID-19 test result

Vaccination Status 2021

- All visitors to MACI will be asked to provide proof of their 2021 influenza and COVID vaccination.

Residents Leaving Facility

- At this point resident outings are discouraged and should not occur except for medical appointments. We will review this position each week as the community case transmission situation changes.
- The easing of restrictions offers both great opportunity but with increased risk. We have a staged roadmap, and we believe the re-introduction of planned visiting including weekend visiting times is an appropriate first stage.
- Any resident outing currently will need to be carefully assessed and it may require resident isolation of up to 72 hours upon return and testing while symptoms are monitored