

## memo

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to:	All Lifebridge Staff and Volunteers
from:	Bronwyn Mitchell, CEO
date:	8 October 2021
subject:	COVID-19 Response Update – 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2021

On Monday 11th October a new Public Health Order will be introduced for easing the restrictions of COVID-19. As an Aged Care and NDIS provider Lifebridge will be required to undertake ongoing risk assessments to determine what extra measures need to be implemented alongside the public health orders.

Beginning Monday 11th October 2021:

- 1. Lifebridge staff and volunteers must continue to wear masks at all times when working indoors including the Kingscliff Office and Cottage, when providing in home services and while transporting customers in Lifebridge vans or personal vehicles.
- 2. All employees and volunteers are to continue using the QR code, follow good hygiene practices, and maintain social distancing where possible.
- 3. Prior to accessing any public venues, support workers must have evidence of vaccination for themselves and their customers.
- 4. Social distancing protocols for group activities is based on the one person per 4 square meter rule.
- 5. Any office-based worker that has not had a first dose vaccination cannot access the Kingscliff office and must work from home.
- 6. Everyone, vaccinated and unvaccinated, is urged to get tested if you have any symptoms of COVID-19 and immediately self-isolate until a negative result is received.
- 7. Whether you are vaccinated or unvaccinated, if you test positive for COVID-19 you must self-isolate for 14 days and report your status to Lifebridge.
- 8. Risk assessments will be undertaken for all group activities and for individual service delivery. Based on risk assessments some services and shifts will be adjusted as per NSW Health Department advice.

As we modify service activity in line with risk assessments it is critically important that all support staff regularly check their roster in VisiCase. These risk assessments will continue as further government restrictions are lifted to ensure the ongoing health and safety of all Lifebridge representatives. Please report your Covid vaccination status by emailing your certificate to: human.resources@lifebridge.org.au

Thank you for you co-operation and for being a valuable partner in keeping everyone safe as we navigate through these unprecedented times. Please continue to stay safe.

Kind regards

Bronwyn

