

27 April 2022

Dear Mambourin Community Member,

## Re: COVID-19 update

The Victorian Government recently announced that most COVID-19 restrictions would ease from Saturday 23 April. However, a number of restrictions remain in place for disability service providers. Here is a brief overview of what this will mean for you.

## Face masks

Masks are still recommended for all client-facing disability workers and volunteers.

Customers who are comfortable and able to wear masks are encouraged to continue to do so, especially in high-risk settings such as on public transport or crowded venues.

#### Household or close contacts

The Household contact period is still seven days. However, if you are a household contact you no longer have to quarantine for this seven-day period if you:

- Test negative using a rapid antigen test on five days of the seven-day period (with tests spaced at least 24 hours apart)
- Wear a mask indoors when outside your home
- Do not visit hospitals or care facilities
- Notify your employer (this includes Mambourin)

If you do not follow these steps, you must quarantine for the seven-day period, and you are required to get tested on Day One and Day Six.

## Infection control

To further reduce infection risk, we will continue to:

- risk assess and avoid unnecessary visits between community hubs/work sites
- not allow any staff, customers or visitors to attend hubs if unwell or displaying cold and flu symptoms (even after negative test result)
- provide staff with Tier 3 PPE (personal protective equipment) including face shields and N95 masks.

# More information

For more information on what you should do if you are a Household contact or Social and Workplace contact visit: <u>www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/checklist-contacts</u>



159 Derrimut Drive Derrimut VIC 3030 For a step-by-step guide on what to do if you test positive, visit: <u>www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/checklist-cases</u>

You can also find more information on the latest quarantine requirements and answers to FAQs on the Western Public Health Unit website: <a href="http://www.wphu.org.au/">www.wphu.org.au/</a>.

If you have any questions or concerns about this, please don't hesitate to speak to your local hub manager or you can contact me directly on 0409 136 157 or at <u>CEO@mambourin.org.</u>

I understand that the ongoing changes to government requirements and the impact on our services continues to be very stressful. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to keep everyone at Mambourin safe – we really appreciate your care for our community.

Yours sincerely,

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