

Friday 25 June 2021

## Extension of restrictions for non-essential visitors at St Basil's Kensington

Dear Residents, Consumers and Families,

In line with advice from Australian government health agencies regarding visiting restrictions within our Kensington Home due to COVID-19, the following requirements continue to be in place until at least 11:59pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

Any non-essential visits are not allowed. Reasons for visitors include;

- New admissions
- Compassionate care
- Visitors for residents requiring support for behavioural concerns
- Essential services required for residents as outlined by government agencies

The following requirements apply to essential visitors:

- For essential visits, a maximum of 2 visitors may be permitted per resident, per day
- All staff and visitors must wear a surgical mask
- Visitors can attend by appointment only

People who reside in or have regularly worked in Randwick LGA, Woollahra LGA, City of Sydney LGA and Waverley LGA in the last 14 days must not visit a residential aged care facility in NSW unless providing essential care. Find our more here: <https://bit.ly/3h7kC6Y>

Any queries or requests relating to non-essential visitors should be directed to the General Manager, Harry Varvaressos - [hvarvaressos@stbasils.org.au](mailto:hvarvaressos@stbasils.org.au)



Essential visitors must not enter the facility if they:

- have been to any close, casual or monitor for symptoms locations in NSW in the last 14 days
- have lived in or regularly work in Randwick LGA, Woollahra LGA, City of Sydney LGA and Waverley LGA in the last 14 days unless providing essential caring functions
- have been to any of the current locations of interest in New Zealand
- have been to any close or casual contact locations in Queensland in the last 14 days
- have been in Greater Melbourne or Victorian places of high concern in the last 14 days
- have COVID-19 symptoms - fever (37. 5°C or higher) or symptoms of COVID-19
- are a close contact of a person with confirmed COVID-19 and are within their self-isolation period
- live in a household with a person who is currently self-isolating
- are waiting for a COVID-19 test result
- have not received a dose of the 2021 influenza vaccine (from 1 June 2021), unless they meet the criteria under the exceptional and special circumstances. The flu vaccination requirement applies to all visitors aged 6 months and over. Please read Exceptional circumstances for visiting an Residential Aged Care Facilities .

Residents must not leave the facility except for essential reasons like medical appointments.

It is important to keep connected to your loved ones, especially during these difficult times. Please remember that there are several ways for you to connect with your loved ones each day;

- Telephone calls
- Facetime or zoom video calls by appointment

We encourage you to reach out to the staff our Kensington Home with any specific queries or for booking essential visitor appointments via telephone 9313 7129 or email [kensington@stbasils.org.au](mailto:kensington@stbasils.org.au)

Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated, thank you.

Yours sincerely,



**Spiro Stavis**, Chief Executive Officer