



Tanunda
Lutheran Home Inc.

Tanunda Lutheran Home Inc COVID-19 Update

30 December 2021

Dear Residents, Family Members, Representatives, and Volunteers,

Firstly, I would like to again thank everyone for their patience and support in ensuring everyone remains safe, cared for, and their social wellbeing well maintained. The COVID-19 pandemic is not over yet. Approximately 50+ people throughout the Barossa Valley have tested Positive to COVID-19.

Covid-19 results thus far:

- There is a resident of Tanunda Retirement Living who has tested Positive to COVID-19, and several others awaiting results.
- There are currently No Residents within Tanunda Lutheran Home Residential Aged Care Facility who have tested positive.

Visiting restrictions at TLH as of the 30th December 2021 have recently changed, all residents and families will be very aware of the rapid increase in community transmission across all Australian states and territories. I am sure you are all aware there have been various restrictions to the visitation process to residents in the Home for some time now.

To clarify the current visitation process:

- Strictly **one** nominated visitor is permitted per resident per day. (***the day is classified as 10am to 7pm or 10am to 6pm***).
- Visits are to continue in the residents' rooms (communal areas not permitted).
- ABG (Acacia, Banksia, and Grevillea) remains in lockdown with no visitors until further notice.
- Each family should nominate the visitor and notify the home of who this person is, as all visitors are to make appointments prior to arriving at the Home. Appointments can be booked via tllhome.zipline.app.
- All visitors must have proof of having received an annual influenza vaccination two doses of COVID – if no proof, no entry is allowed – that is the current law.
- Residents of the Home can leave, though we encourage all residents to stay within the Home. If a resident leaves for a period of time, upon returning they must isolate for a 24-hour period in their room. ***Please note: all care services will be provided.***
- Visitors are required to wear a surgical mask at all times.
- TLH can provide one if required. It is important that the mask remain on at all times including in the resident's room.
- Independent Retirement Living activities and meetings will cease for the short term.
- The new scheduled opening date for the Barossa Club will be Monday the 10th of January.

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Please note visitors must not enter the home at all if they:

- They have COVID-19 symptoms - fever (37. 5°C or higher).
- They have been to any exposure sites in any state or overseas.
- They are a close contact of a person with **confirmed** COVID-19 and are within their self-isolation period.
- They live in a household with a person who is currently self-isolating; and/or are waiting for a COVID-19 test result.

The much-needed cooperation of family members in helping our staff manage the risk of infection to the Residents in our care is extremely important and appreciated.

Thank you for your continued understanding and cooperation in this challenging time and for helping us to keep everyone safe.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lee Martin', written over a faint circular outline.

Lee Martin
CEO & DOC
Tanunda Lutheran Home Inc

