

## Memorandum

**To: All Visitors**

**Re: Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccinations**

**Date: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

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Goldbridge Rehabilitation Services (Goldbridge) has a health and safety responsibility to minimise the likelihood of infectious disease transmission in the organisation.

We have implemented several measures, including social distancing and mask wearing with the aim of keeping staff, volunteers, clients and visitors safe and minimising the spread of COVID-19.

Queensland Government has announced that unvaccinated people will be unable to visit vulnerable settings as of 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 or when 80% of Queenslanders aged 16 years and over are fully vaccinated – whichever comes first. The Goldbridge residential rehabilitation Therapeutic Community (TC) is a vulnerable setting.

For further information, please see the link: <https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/current-status/queensland-restrictions-80-percent-vaccination>

As such, Goldbridge is committed to ensuring the health and safety of all staff, volunteers, students and clients at the residential rehabilitation Therapeutic Community (TC) service setting by implementing the Queensland Health guidelines by the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 or when 80% of Queenslanders aged 16 years and over are fully vaccinated.

For information on the vaccinations available, where it is available and additional health advice, we encourage you to access the following links: <https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines> and <https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/who-can-get-vaccinated>

Therefore, all visitors including Family members, Contractors, Trades people and Agency representatives will be required to show proof of their vaccination status. You must have received two doses of a vaccine that is recognised by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA). The onus will be on the person entering to show proof of their vaccination status – please be aware if you do not have proof you will be unable to enter the premise, otherwise you will need to show proof of any exemption from vaccination on genuine medical grounds.

If you have any questions or concerns in relation to this matter, please contact the CEO (Bernice Smith) on 07 5503 1255.

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