

Cares Quality Community Services (CQCS) are committed to ensure all their clients, employees and the community at large are safe and healthy.

## **COVID-19 NEWS UPDATE**

Updated stay at home and restricted activity directions have been issued by the Chief Health Officer. The new directions are in line with the gradual easing of restrictions and an extension of Victoria's state of Emergency to 31 May 2020.

The application and implications of directions issued by the Chief Health Officer are reviewed daily. For more information please visit the below link:-

https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

## **WHAT IS COVID -19**

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus.

This new virus and disease were unknown before the outbreak began in Wuhan, China, in December 2019. COVID-19 is now a pandemic affecting many countries globally. For more information on symptoms and prevention of COVID-19, please visit WHO website below:-

https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus#tab=tab\_1

## **GETTING TESTED FOR COVID -19**

CQCS encourages everyone who feels unwell to be tested for covid-19 virus infection.

This will help the government understand how the virus is spreading and plan for the restriction levels which need to protect our health system, keep our community safe and save lives. For more information on who should be tested and where to be tested, please visit the Department of Health and Human Services website below:-

https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/getting-tested-coronavirus-covid-19

# PEOPLE LIVING WITH A DISABILITY

Information and considerations of COVID-19 specific to people living with a disability and people caring for them can be found in the Department of Health and Human Services website below:-

https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/information-people-disability-coronavirus-disease-covid-19

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

The below website provides Coronavirus (COVID-19) information resources for community services and disability services sector.

https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/information-community-services-coronavirus-disease-covid-19