

Thursday 24 September 2020

RE: COVID-19 UPDATE – Transporting Participants in the Community

Following reducing numbers of community transmission, NSW Health have updated their advice for disability services. MDS has reviewed this advice along with information from the Disability Information Helpline and propose changes to way we transport participants in the community.

As long as relevant road rules are followed, there is no limit to the number of people who can travel in a vehicle. Although this is the case, we are taking a cautious approach by implementing the following risk strategies when transporting participants:

- We will always ensure there is a seat or space (e.g. aisle) between people travelling in a vehicle,
- Support Staff will maintain existing cleaning arrangements and disinfect a vehicle after each use,
- All staff and participants continue to have access to alcohol hand sanitiser,
- MDS staff will continue to wear a mask whilst working with participants, and
- Support staff will continue to offer a mask to any participants who wish wear one

MDS will work with participants, families and carers to ensure they feel safe and comfortable with how they receive support. Given this, we would like your feedback on the above changes:

COMMENTS:

Following this your response, we will be in contact you to discuss any proposed changes.

Kind Regards,



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