

CORONAVIRUS – COVID-19 – DARULFATWA AUSTRALIA.

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS & VISITORS UPDATE - 14/7/20

In light of the most recent changes to border restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, DARULFATWA-the High Islamic Council of Australia want to remind all our member organisations, their affiliates and all visitors to our offices in NSW and other states of the need to proactively manage our behaviour and collective response to this ever changing situation.

Firstly, I as Chairman of Darulfatwa Aust. appreciate everyone's commitment to continuing to practice safety measures in your daily interaction with your community members and working with us through following the relevant health department advice including social distancing, good hygiene, and thorough planning interactivity. We rely on your ongoing support as we move forward over the coming weeks and months to continue these good practices, without compromising adherence to worship, prayer and seeking Islamic knowledge locally or interstate.

The most recent restrictions which apply to both the ACT and NSW mean that:

- From Wednesday 8 July 2020, anyone travelling into the ACT and NSW from Victoria need to have an exemption to enter. ACT residents can return home, subject to entering quarantine for a period of 14 days, from the day after leaving Victoria.
- There are potential exemptions for non-ACT/NSW residents to enter the ACT and NSW for exceptional circumstances, however this needs to be applied for and obtained 48 hours prior to travelling.
- Access to an ACT Government health project site or campus is not permitted if a person has been in Victoria since 26 June 2020 or if they are feeling unwell.

Darulfatwa Aust. requests that you are checking both your own members, as well as those staff, volunteers in all related institutions including schools and sports clubs, and visitors that may be working with your organisation or consulting with you on various matters including religious advise, to ensure that they are abiding by these conditions and any other government requirements relating to COVID-19. Our board members and administrators will be seeking this confirmation from you when needed.

We appreciate that the restrictions will likely continue to change quickly and seek your assurance that you are continuing to keep abreast of these in order to ensure ongoing compliance. It should be noted that these are likely to vary between some states and territories.

In the event that you foresee any potential impact on your organisation's ability to deliver your known service to your constituents and the community you represent due to COVID-

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19, we ask that you immediately notify our administrative team so that together we can work through how this impact can be mitigated.

Thanks again for your support and commitment to continuing to deliver our essential services to our communities during these challenging times. Please do not hesitate to contact our office should you wish to discuss this further.

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