**COVID-19 update 18ᵗʰ February 2022**

The most accurate and up to date information around COVID-19 rules and regulations remains with the NSW Department of Health https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/
If you test positive to COVID-19 or are a close contact to COVID-19
https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/people-exposed-to-covid

Below is Subee's *Roles and Responsibilities around COVID 19*

- **Support workers to continue to wear a surgical mask during all indoor services**.
- Support workers to test their temperatures daily. Inform rosters or after hours if temperature 37.5 degrees or higher, DO NOT attend service and RAT tested for COVID 19
- Monitor for COVID-19 symptoms, if you have any symptoms DO NOT attend service and RAT tested for COVID 19
- Socially distance where possible

*Support Workers*

- Screen clients on arrival to service for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or whether they are awaiting test resilts
- Support Worker to report to client's service coordinator if client has any COVID 19 symptoms for further instructions.
- Client confidentiality to be always maintained

Remember Hand Washing and Infection Control procedures must always be followed

*Client who is positive COVID-19*

- We will inform you if you are attending a service where the client is COVID-19 positive
- If a client test positive they must self-isolate for 7 days, and then have a further 24 hours of no COVID-19 signs and symptoms.
- Full PPE's to be worn whilst waiting for clients COVID 19 testing results **or**
  when clients are self-isolating for 7 days plus an additional 24 hours without any COVID-19 signs and symptoms. Support workers to shower and dress in new uniform after visiting the above category of clients before attending any further services that day. We will attempt to roster these clients at the end of the day if possible and appropriate.

Support Workers with COVID-19 Signs & Symptoms

- Support workers to perform a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) for COVID 19 if showing any flu like symptoms, respiratory symptoms, or unexplained temperature.
- If RAT test is positive, self-isolate for 7 days plus an additional 72 hours without any COVID-19 signs and symptoms.  Complete RAT test day 7 and if positive every second day till negative result.
- Positive RAT tests need to be registered with Service NSW website
  https://apply.service.nsw.gov.au/register-positive-rapid-antigen-test-result/
  Inform Subee office ASAP so we can start or COVID-19 Risk Management Plan
- IF you have had a PCR test & results are longer than 7 days, CSW can leave isolation with a negative RAT test on day 7 or after an addition 24 hours of no COVID-19 signs or symptoms
- Support workers to have a doctor's certificate or NSW Health clearance to return to work.

<u>Close Contacts</u>

➢ Clients and Support workers to be RAT tested for COVID 19 if they have been a close contact of a COVID positive case. NSW Health directions for self-isolating to be followed
➢ Self-isolate for 7 days and return with negative RAT for next 2 days.

<u>Casual Contact</u>

➢ Clients and Support workers to **monitor for COVID 19 signs and symptoms** if they have been a casual contact of a COVID positive case.