



## COVID-19 update

Dear services and providers

Additional restrictions have been put in place across parts of NSW. The Department has added to the table distributed yesterday to include Lismore, Ballina, Byron Shire, Richmond Valley and Tamworth LGAs.

The Department is committed to bringing you regular updates as they become available. Please continue to [visit our website for the latest advice](#).

This advice is current as of 9 August 2021 and is subject to change of stay at home orders or an update of the Public Health Order following advice from NSW Health.

## Restrictions by LGA or Suburb

LGA / Suburbs	Date effective	Requirements
<b>The following LGAs within Greater Sydney:</b> Blacktown Campbelltown Canterbury/Bankstown Cumberland Fairfield Georges River Liverpool Parramatta  <b>The following 12 specified suburbs within the Eastern part of Penrith LGA:</b>	Through to midnight on 28 August 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parents are strongly encouraged to keep their children at home if they are able to do so, in order to limit movement in the community</li><li>• Masks required in early childhood education and care settings</li><li>• Limit visitors to services (non-essential regulatory visits on hold)</li><li>• Surveillance testing:</li><li>• From Saturday 31 July, educators that live in the Canterbury-Bankstown LGA will need to get</li></ul>

<p>Caddens Claremont Meadows Colyton Erskine Park Kemps Creek Kingswood Mt Vernon North St Marys Orchard Hills Oxley Park St Clair St Marys</p>		<p>tested every 3 days if working outside of their LGA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surveillance testing every 7 days is still required for educators who live in Greater Sydney and regularly work on a site more than 50km outside this area.</li> <li>• For educators who work within 50km from Greater Sydney, while it is not in the public health order, it is recommended to get tested for COVID-19 every 7 days.</li> </ul>
<p>Greater Sydney (LGAs other than those indicated above and including Sydney, Central Coast, Blue Mountains, Wollongong and Shellharbour LGAs)</p>	<p>Through to midnight on 28 August 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Education and Care services may remain open for those who need it</li> <li>• Masks required in early childhood education and care settings</li> <li>• Limit visitors to services (non-essential regulatory visits on hold)</li> <li>• Surveillance testing:</li> <li>• Surveillance testing every 7 days is still required for educators who live in Greater Sydney and regularly work on a site more than 50km outside this area.</li> <li>• For educators who work within 50km from Greater Sydney, while it is not in the public health order, it is recommended to get tested for COVID-19 every 7 days.</li> </ul>
<p>Hunter (including Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Maitland, Port Stephens, Cessnock, Dungog, Singleton and Muswellbrook)</p>	<p>Start date: 5pm, Thursday 5 August 2021 End date: 12:01am, Friday 13 August 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Education and Care services may remain open for those who need it</li> <li>• Masks required in early childhood education and care settings</li> <li>• Limit visitors to services (non-essential regulatory visits on hold)</li> </ul>
<p>Armidale and Guyra</p>	<p>Start date: 5pm, Sunday 8 August 2021 End date: 12:01am, Sunday 15 August 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Education and Care services may remain open for those who need it</li> <li>• Masks required in early childhood education and care settings</li> <li>• Limit visitors to services (non-essential regulatory visits on hold)</li> </ul>
<p>Lismore, Ballina, Byron Shire and Richmond Valley LGAs.</p>	<p>Start date: 6pm, Monday 9 August 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Education and Care services may remain open for those who need it</li> </ul>

	End date: 12:01am, Tuesday 17 August 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Masks required in early childhood education and care settings</li> <li>• Limit visitors to services (non-essential regulatory visits on hold)</li> </ul>
Tamworth LGAs	Start date: 5pm, Monday 9 August 2021  End date: 12:01am, Tuesday 17 August 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Childhood Education and Care services may remain open for those who need it</li> <li>• Masks required in early childhood education and care settings</li> <li>• Limit visitors to services (non-essential regulatory visits on hold)</li> </ul>

## Keeping our ECE community safe

There's never been a better time to follow the advice of NSW Health, talk to your doctor and, if appropriate for your circumstances, [book an appointment](#) to protect yourself and your family against COVID-19.

Not only will you be safeguarding your own health, and that of your family and friends, you will also be doing your part in ensuring our vaccination rates in this important month of August continue to rise.

NSW Health is also providing [walk-in centres](#) across NSW where no appointments are required.

## For more information

The Department regularly updates the [COVID-19 Guidelines for ECEC services](#) based on advice from NSW Health.

Educators are encouraged to regularly check the [NSW Health website](#) regarding up to date restrictions in NSW.

**If you have any questions about your service operation you can contact the Information and Enquiries team on 1800 619 113 or by emailing [ececd@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ececd@det.nsw.edu.au).**



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