

# ANMF COVID-19 Newsflash: COVID-19 boosters Public Health Order Varied: Aged Care/Disability Workers

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Tasmania Branch (ANMF) advises members working in:

- Aged Care (Residential Facilities)
- Home Care
- Disability Settings

A revised Public Health Order has been issued by the Acting Director of Public Health. The direction applies to workers, students on clinical placements and volunteers.

In order to be fully vaccinated, it is now necessary for workers in the above work areas to have received two doses of a COVID vaccine **and** at least one booster shot.

Evidence of vaccination (including the booster) needs to be provided to your employer by **no later than 1 April 2022**. Your employer should also notify you of these changes.

If you are not eligible for your booster on 1 April, you must have your booster within 4 weeks of it falling due.

If a person holds a valid exemption, they will be required to wear a face mask when providing care either in a residential aged care facility, in-home care or to NDIS clients.

After 1 April 2022, persons who are not fully vaccinated (including the booster) or exempt, will be unable to work or volunteer in these worksites. Exception will be if you are not yet eligible for the booster because you recently had your second COVID vaccine however, you must have the booster when it falls due.

**The ANMF Tasmanian Branch is 8000 plus members strong! Supporting nurses, midwives, and care workers as the only union in Tasmania employing nurses and care workers to represent members. This is why our Organisers and Member Support Team are uniquely positioned to understand your experiences, represent you in your workplace, and offer industrial advice that's relevant to you.**

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Member Support Team via email on [membersupport@anmftas.org.au](mailto:membersupport@anmftas.org.au). Email is the preferred and fastest way of contacting the team. Alternatively, you can phone (03) 6223 6777 or 1800 001 241 if outside Hobart.

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