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Greetings to all our families and friends of Maroba

Yesterday, as you know was Anzac Day. Stephanie Priest, one of our Leisure and Lifestyle team members facilitated two services, one in The Lodge and The Manor. I was delighted to see so many families in attendance at both venues to support their loved one and collectively honour our service men and women. It was a lovely service and I particularly enjoyed catching up with our families new and longstanding.

It has been a while since I touched based with our community, so I thought to update you on some minor amendments to visitation and social leave arrangements. It is all good news!

As of today;

- For social leave, our Day Excursion and Risk Assessment form is no longer necessary. If a resident is leaving the facility we ask that the Leave book is signed. The Leave book is located in the Common area of The Lodge and in each wing in The Manor.
- For our Community clients, you may have noticed that over some months now and in line with the relaxing of external Covid restrictions we have gradually relaxed our requirements. We are thrilled to advise that our Community Clients are now welcome to partake in all aspects of activities and other services at Maroba.

Some of our newer members of the community may be wondering what the Community Service program is all about. This program offers a range of community aged care services for people living at home who want to maintain their well-being and stay connected with others. We offer gym sessions, exercise programs, allied health services, a range of community events and of course access to our hairdresser, beauty and day spa. Community members can come for a morning or a day and we can tailor packages to suit individual requirements, all for a modest fee. If you know of someone that may be interested in this program, don't hesitate to pass on our phone number.

More good news, 97% of our residents have now been fully vaccinated with the Pfizer vaccine against Covid-19 with the second dose being administered on 22 April 2021. Some residents experienced minor discomfort afterwards, however have recovered well. Staff have been advised to make an appointment with their local GP to be administered the recommended Covid-19 vaccine, while we wait for the Commonwealth Department of Health to develop a serious and effective plan for aged care workers.

Pleasingly for residents our bus trips are going further afield with new Covid safe venues being added to the list of sites for morning tea and lunch stops. This is being well received by all, adding more variety and interest to the outings.

At the time of writing, fragments of Covid-19 have been found in local sewerage plants. It is a timely reminder to remember our learnings from the past year. Please, if out and about in the community remember to socially distance and practice good hand hygiene. If you have any Covid symptoms at all or just feel unwell, do not visit Maroba, seek medical advice and rest up until you are fully recovered. Until the Nation is vaccinated we remain quite vulnerable, especially as people continue to enter Australia from overseas and then travel amongst us after quarantine, not realising they are Covid positive.

Until next time.

Kind regards



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