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CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION

Central Desert are committed to keeping our people and the communities we travel into safe and updated on the latest considerations regarding the current coronavirus COVID-19 outbreak.

We note that this information and our current response take place in the context of a situation that is still evolving, we will make sure we keep our information on our website up to date as matters change and as time progresses.

We are aware that the communities we travel into are often impaired by underlying health issues which significantly increases people's susceptibility to Coronavirus and poor health outcomes to recovery. Therefore we are taking a conservative decision-making approach to the delivery of our business for the immediate future. In all instances, if we are travelling to community our staff will seek and obtain approval from the Community advisor or the communities delegated authority. We note travel restrictions are in place for Ngaanyatjarra Lands with the Council only allowing essential services. A number of our PBC Directors have indicated they will not travel to Perth for any meetings, we respect these decisions.

To keep you, our work colleagues and the communities we visit healthy:

We note the following:

1. We will not travel into communities if unwell with cold or flu like symptoms.
2. If you agree to a meeting we will not attend gatherings of more than 500 people, we will hold meetings outside if appropriate, or in a venue that allows plenty of space for people to sit separately if they wish.
3. Our people will not attend work if they are unwell.
4. We will make sure they take the appropriate time to recover at home, get well and return only when they are fit for work.
5. If our people present to work and are unwell we will send them home.
6. A copy of this written direction will be given to any consultants who go into communities and have contracts with us.
7. We will require any visitors to our offices to disclose whether they have any cold or flu like symptoms.
8. We have strongly urged our staff to take advantage of flu shots as soon as they become available.

9. If they return from overseas holidays they will not attend work for 2 weeks after arriving back in Australia, whether they have any symptoms or not. If they have cold/flu type symptoms then they are required not to return to work until fully recovered. We require that they keep us informed of their wellbeing throughout this period.

Good practice to reduce risk and Government Advice:

We have advised our people of the following:

The Department of Health advises that the best preventative measures are to practise good hygiene to protect against infections.

Good hygiene includes:

- washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or using an alcohol-based hand gel.
- using a tissue to cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze or sneeze into your flexed elbow.
- avoiding close contact with anyone who has a cold or flu-like symptoms, avoid touching others, including shaking hands and hugging.

Coronavirus Information

Keep up to date with information about the Coronavirus by visiting Department of Health website: <https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert>

Western Australian Government Pandemic Plan as released this morning
<http://www.wa.gov.au/covid19> .

World Health Organisation, rolling updates:

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/events-as-they-happen>

Coronavirus Health Information Line Call this line if you are seeking information on novel coronavirus. The line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week 1800 020 080



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