

Single site funding support extended to additional regions in New South Wales

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The following advice in relation to the developing situation with Covid 19 in Sydney, NSW, has been received through Department of Health BIDS on 26 June 2021.

In line with recent announcements from the New South Wales' Government, single site workforce arrangements and Australian Government funding is being extended to all local government areas across **Greater Sydney, including the Blue Mountains, Central Coast, Wollongong and Shellharbour.**

Please refer to the following map:

[Greater Sydney rules and restrictions | NSW Government](#)

Workers at residential aged care facilities in these areas are asked to limit their work to a single facility to reduce the risk of transmission and protect workers and residents.

Australian Government grant funding is now available to support implementation of these arrangements during an initial two week period, from **26 June to 10 July**. This is likely to be extended further if the risk of transmission continues.

Providers in these areas are asked to adjust their rosters as soon as possible and ensure staff are only working at one residential aged care facility within this region during this time. To the greatest extent possible, the employer should seek to match any hours no longer being worked with a secondary employer to ensure the worker is not financially disadvantaged.

Providers can access guidance on how to implement single site arrangements, including employee relations expertise, through the [Guiding Principles Support Hub](#) website or hotline on **1800 491 793**. The Support Hub will be hosting a webinar in the coming week, with the Department of Health, to answer any questions. Further details will be available on the Support Hub website.

Where these arrangements result in additional workforce expenses, providers are able to seek reimbursement from the Australian Government through the [Support for Aged Care Workers in COVID-19](#) (SACWIC) Grant. The SACWIC grant opportunity remains open until **30 December 2021**.