



**Exemption under *Public Health (COVID-19 Care Services) Order 2022* and the
*Public Health Act 2010 (NSW)***

I, Dr Kerry Chant, Chief Health Officer and delegate of the Minister for Health, under clause 15 of the *Public Health (COVID-19 Care Services) Order 2022 (the Order)*, being satisfied it is necessary to protect the health and well-being of persons, hereby grant the exemptions listed in clause 1 of this instrument, subject to the condition listed in clause 2.

- 1) Despite the Order:
 - a. an Exempt Person can enter a residential aged care facility (Facility) as a student or to provide services, provide disability services or provide in-home and aged care services,
 - b. the operator of a Facility can permit the Exempt Person to enter the Facility, and
 - c. the responsible person for a disability service worker or for an in-home and community aged care worker can allow an Exempt Person to provide services.
- 2) An Exempt Person must take reasonably practicable steps to receive their third dose of a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as practicable.

In this exemption instrument an Exempt Person means:

- a person who has had at least two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine and who has been assessed by either the Operator of the Facility or the responsible person as being essential to the operation of the Facility or essential to the operation of the provision of services to people with a disability or persons receiving in-home and community aged care services.

This exemption is repealed at the beginning of 1 June 2022.

Note:

1. Terms in this instrument have the same meaning as the Order,
2. All other requirements of the Order, and any other public health order, must be complied with.

Dr Kerry Chant
Chief Health Officer

Date: 9th April 2022