

Policy 09 - Covid 19 Measures

Introduction

U3A Baw Baw recognises that the prevention and minimisation of the risk of serious illness is essential for its members who are largely retired, in older age groups and are more likely to be at risk from infection.

Purpose

This policy sets out the conditions that must be observed to ensure members of U3A Baw Baw are able to attend courses and engage in activities in a safe virus free environment which complies with Government Covid-19 restrictions. The policy applies to all members, volunteers, guests and visitors while engaged in U3A Baw Baw activities or premises

Policy

U3A Baw Baw:

- a. will comply with all Government and venue provider Covid 19 restrictions in relation to member attendance at courses and activities.
 - b. will require all members to provide evidence of being fully vaccinated as a condition of attending face to face U3A courses and activities, such evidence must consist of a Covid 19 digital certificate or printed copy of your immunisation history and is subject to provision of proof of full vaccination in accordance with the Victorian Government Covid 19 regulations.
- Members will need to use the Covid-19 QR Scanning Code or printed sign-in form and show proof of their vaccination before entering a face to face class or activity.

Procedures and rules set down and displayed for face to face classes must be observed. These rules and procedures will be reviewed and updated on a regular basis by the U3A Committee according to amendments in Government health advice. The procedures and rules will include but not necessarily be limited to:

- a) wearing facial masks
- b) social distancing
- c) disinfecting hands and cleaning
- d) sanitising of shared surfaces and equipment
- e) no shared tea/coffee making and biscuits

Other rules and procedures may be set depending on what is needed for the protection and well-being of our members.

Members are required to familiarise themselves with the current rules and procedures. Members attending courses and activities conducted by Video Conferencing (eg Zoom) are not required to provide evidence of vaccination.

Responsibilities

A Covid-19 Monitor will be appointed to attend each face to face class and will be responsible for ensuring that all members who are present at such classes have scanned the QR code and shown proof of vaccination upon entry to the rooms.

The Courses Coordinator is responsible for general oversight of this policy.

Authorisation

Adopted by the Committee of Management of U3A Baw Baw 26/11/ 2021