COVID POLICY

There are currently no vaccine mandates required for students enrolled in our courses. Whilst students attending onsite (field training) are not required to show evidence that they have received two doses of a COVID-19 vaccination, they are encouraged to practice social distancing (1.5m), regular handwashing and use of sanitiser, and take regular breaks outside. In the likelihood this changes due to State and Federal Government directions, students will be immediately notified.

QR Code check-in requirements are no longer required however trainers will continue to complete class rolls for field training.

Staff and students are no longer required to wear masks.

Students and staff who plan on attending field training, must notify the college immediately if:

- They are experiencing cold and flu like symptoms immediately prior to attending field training
- They test positive within *7 days prior* to attending field training
- They test positive within *7 days after* attending field training
- ACES will notify the class in the event a student, trainer or client tests positive within 7 days after attending field training.
- Depending on State and Federal Government directions, students and trainers who participate in field training *maybe* required to undertake a Rapid Antigen Test on the morning of the field trip. Students may bring their own test or obtain a kit from ACES and conduct the testing in real time in front of the trainer, prior to entering the client's home. The results must be sighted by the trainer. Students who test positive, will not be eligible to attend the field trip and should contact ACES during business hours to organise other arrangements. Trainers who test positive, will not be able to facilitate field training.

In the event ACES is notified by a learner, trainer or client after the field trip that they have COVID, notification will be sent out to all who attended the field trip as a courtesy.

COVID requirements vary between states and territories and may change at short notice. For detailed information, ring the **National Coronavirus Helpline: 1800 020 080.** State and territory health authorities have information, resources and links for more support for people with COVID-19, including when you can leave isolation:

- Australian Capital Territory
- New South Wales
- North Territory
- Queensland
- South Australia
- Tasmania
- Victoria
- Western Australia