



**BURNSIDE  
HOSPITAL**

Established as a living  
memorial to those who  
served in war

28 March 2020

Dear Burnside Hospital Patient

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION RE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) AND YOUR VISITORS**

The COVID-19 situation in Australia is rapidly changing and in order to effectively manage the risk of transmission and to protect the health of our patients, family members and our workforce, Burnside Hospital will be stopping all general visitation from 12.00 (midnight) on Saturday 28 March 2020.

**What this means for you as a patient?** As an in-patient we ask that you please make contact with your hitherto nominated visitor and request they not visit for the duration of your hospital stay. Your visitor can still make telephone contact with you whilst you are here.

If you are being admitted, your visitor may only enter the Hospital to provide assistance during your drop off and pick up and they will need to present at reception and our nursing staff will transport you down from the wards/patient care areas.

All patients will need to continue to be screened on the day of admission and this will include having your temperature taken.

For maternity patients, your partner will still be able to attend with you however they will be screened each time they come into the hospital.

Thank you for your cooperation with the measures the hospital is taking to endeavor to keep everyone safe and well.

Yours sincerely

**Heather Messenger**  
**Chief Executive Officer**