

ACU Announcements

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Dear colleagues

I am writing to you to provide an update about the permitted workers scheme now in operation in the Melbourne metropolitan area.

Permitted Worker Permits were distributed to specifically-identified employees in Victoria yesterday. The form is detailed and requires employee information to be verified from HR systems. When additional staff are identified as requiring a permit, these requests are to be directed to Paul Campbell or Melinda Hunt who will then request the details from HR. For this reason it is critical for you to make sure that your employee information is accurate, specifically your residential address, and this can be updated in Staff Connect.

There was a further announcement late yesterday about employee access to a childcare scheme. If members of a household are required to work from home and can't provide care to young children, they can access childcare if they have a declaration (Access to Onsite Childcare/Kindergarten Permit) from their employer. The Permitted Worker Permit was updated to accommodate this inclusion.

Staff seeking the relevant confirmation from ACU for the purpose of accessing childcare should lodge a request through Service Central and these will be responded to as a priority. The employer declaration on both the Permitted Worker Permit (including Childcare) and the Access to Onsite Childcare/Kindergarten Permit is **only** the Deputy Chief Operating Offer, Paul Campbell.

Thank you for your patience and co-operation as we adjust to changing government requirements.

Paul Campbell, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, on behalf of the Recovery Management Team

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