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## CENSW UPDATE

### ***CENSW & Co-operative Agreements (CCA's) - Consultations Working Group***

We would like to thank all the co-operative members who applied to be included in our CCA Consultations Working Group. The Board has endorsed 6 Co-operative Members to be part of the Working Group. The purpose of the Working Group is to review the current CCA. The first meeting will be held in early August 2020. Watch this space for further updates.

Any questions please contact Nick Sabel, CEO, CENSW T: 02 9356 9200 E: [enquiries@commonequity.com.au](mailto:enquiries@commonequity.com.au)

### ***NSW Housing Strategy Discussion paper***



The NSW government is currently developing a NSW Housing Strategy. The Strategy will guide how the government responds to housing needs in NSW over the next 20 years.

Common Equity NSW has submitted a response to the Strategy where we advocate for co-operative housing to be included as part of the solution for secure, affordable housing in NSW.

The government discussion paper can be found [here](#).

CENSW response will be available on our website this week.

### ***National Regulatory System Community Housing (NRSCH) Compliance***

CENSW recently completed the NRSCH registration process. We are required to go through an annual compliance assessment which measures performance outcomes against a National Regulatory code.

We are please to announce that CENSW once again maintained our Tier 2 status as a registered housing provider. This means that we have achieved well in all 7 performance areas. These performance areas are:

- Tenant and housing services
- Housing assets
- Community engagement
- Governance
- Probity
- Management
- Financial viability.

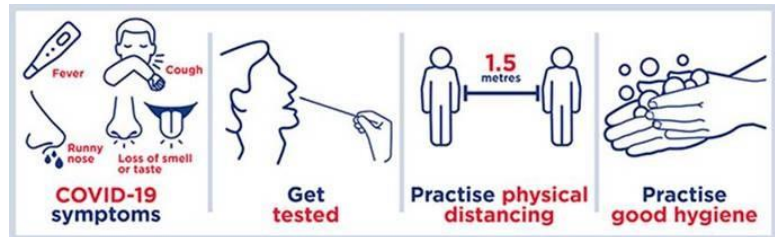
We may explore the potential for Tier 1 status in the future.

## COVID-19 UPDATE

### NSW-Victoria border restrictions from 22 July 2020

NSW has temporarily imposed border restrictions with Victoria. Only people authorised under the public health order may enter NSW. In most cases travelling from Victoria to NSW requires a permit and 14 days of self-isolation, to help stop the spread of COVID-19. For more information check here: <https://bit.ly/3fSVIX3>

**Feeling unwell?** Avoid large family gatherings and get tested immediately. If you're part of a large, extended family, staying away can be the greatest act of love.



**Get tested.** Feeling unwell? Have you been in contact with someone who is unwell? Get a free COVID-19 test, at a clinic near you: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/how-to-protect-yourself-and-others/clinics>

For COVID-19 Coronavirus in-language resources click here: <https://www.mhcs.health.nsw.gov.au/publications/covid-19-coronavirus>

For a range of **other information and resources** including latest updates, fact sheets, posters, videos and NSW case statistics check the NSW Health website: <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/>

For information on NSW **statistics and affected suburbs** check here: <https://bit.ly/3jvjV82>

### Financial support for individuals and households

Support is available if you are affected by COVID-19 and experiencing financial difficulty. Check for help with the cost of living with NSW Government rebates and Energy Accounts Payment Assistance (EAPA) vouchers: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/financial-support>

### Reusable Face Masks

Instructions for making a reusable cloth mask can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3eRnjXa>

## INSTITUTE OF COMMUNITY DIRECTORS AUSTRALIA

### Not-for-Profit Finance Week – 3 – 7 August 2020

The aim of this event is to increase the profit of the not-for-profit sector, bolster the financial capacity and sustainability of the sector and provide support for the staff, board members and treasurers carrying out the task of overseeing the finances.

A range of activities are planned, including free webinars. [Click here](#) for more information.



## PUBLIC INTEREST ADVOCACY CENTRE LTD - PIAC

PIAC has joined over 20 major organisations in the disability community in calling on the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) to make public the details of appeal cases it is settling with scheme participants, to promote transparency, accountability and an overall fairer system.

Currently 97% of NDIS appeals lodged with the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) are settle privately, with the details of those settlements remaining confidential. This makes it difficult for participants in the scheme to see what supports and funding are provided to people in similar situations and hold the NDIA accountable.

Concerns about the scheme have been outlined in an [open letter](#) the Minister for the NDIS, Stuart Robert.

[Click here](#) for more information about PIAC

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