

## **COVID-19 WINTER BREAK TRAVEL PROTOCOLS**

### **Intent**

With the holiday season approaching, it is anticipated that many staff, children and families will choose to make travel plans for the December break. In order to ensure the safety of the children and staff in our centre, Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre will follow and enforce federal testing and quarantine requirements in relation to international travel. By working together to share and discuss this information, we can help to ensure everyone has a healthy and safe holiday season.

### **Guidelines**

- Individuals must follow federal testing and quarantine requirements upon return from any international travel.
- Individuals over 12 years of age who are advised to quarantine or advised not to attend child care are not permitted to attend the program for 14 days following their return from travel.
- Unvaccinated children under the age of 12 who travelled internationally with a fully vaccinated companion are exempt from federal quarantine. However, they are not permitted to attend child care programs for 14 days following their return.
- Generally, individuals (staff and children) who are fully vaccinated are exempt from federal quarantine and may continue to attend child care.
- Individuals with federal quarantine exemptions (e.g., travelling for cross-border custody arrangements; travelling for medical treatment) may also continue to attend child care.
- All staff, particularly unvaccinated staff considering international travel, must take into consideration federal testing and quarantine requirements for themselves and their dependents.

Tilbury Tots Early Learning Centre will remain vigilant and pursue strategies that limit the spread of COVID-19 in our child care centres. This is key to keeping child care open and ensuring children are in a nurturing, supportive and safe environment. By following these requirements, we can all enjoy a safer holiday season and support the continued operation of our child care programs.