

TAFE NSW – Covid 19

The CPSU NSW, would like to welcome you back to work and into 2021. We would also like to remind you that if you have any concerns or issues, please don't hesitate to call the Member Support Centre (MSC) on 1300 772 679 or contact a Delegate, whose details are below.

While we hope 2021 will be less chaotic than 2020, it is still likely to be a year of change, and so it's more important than ever to be engaged with your union. That means attending meetings when possible, keeping your delegates up to date with any changes or things that are occurring in your workplace, keeping an eye on your emails, and talking to your colleagues about the union.

If you're interested in getting even more involved, we encourage you to contact us.

COVID-19 continues to present a lot of challenges. CPSU NSW Industrial Staff and delegates have been engaging with TAFENSW management in the last week to ensure safe work protocols are in place as staff return to work.

The CPSU NSW met with TAFENSW on Thursday 14 January to clarify the following points and will be meeting again on 19 January 2021:

Mask wearing for staff, students and the public is required in the library, the main offices (HUBs), as well as hospitality, beauty and massage therapy areas. Staff undertaking work in the offices in these areas away from the general traffic do not need to wear a mask.

- » The CPSU NSW has requested that TAFENSW use the Service NSW QR code system – because of its widespread,

common use elsewhere, and the fact it is simpler to use. It can be set up on your phone to remember personal details. It is easier than filling in TAFE form each time with name location and phone number. The code is only mandatory for hospitality and beauty. It is not required in areas such as canteens and buying a takeaway coffee.

- » Risk assessments – these may need updating/reviewing to ensure they are still current. If nothing requires amending, then just extend the date. Only be amended if there is a need to amend i.e. a change in controls e.g. masks.
- » Room capacity signs – they are still valid to indicate social distancing capability of a space 1.5 metre social distancing as practical. [Square metre rule](#)

Outstanding Matters that your union is continuing to seek clarity on and will keep members up to date with any changes.

The CPSU NSW is currently seeking clarification on the extension of COVID leave and seeking advice from NSW Health on the use of the Service NSW QR Code.

If you have any related concerns raise them firstly with your line manager and contact the CPSU NSW for advice.

Union benefits

It's also useful to note the many advantages of being in the union that you may have forgotten about. First of all, we have regular training sessions, both in person and online, which you



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may be able to access. For more information, please go [HERE](#).

The CPSU NSW also offers Journey Cover Insurance, which is if you get injured going to and from work. We have a variety of other benefits including emergency ambulance cover, a free will service, and discounts for a variety of things from groceries to gym memberships. For more information, click [HERE](#).

The CPSU NSW is a member-led, democratic union. Membership gives you a real voice and a vote in determining your pay and working conditions.

Not a member of the CPSU? Join the union [HERE](#).

Join the Rebuild Our TAFE campaign [HERE](#).

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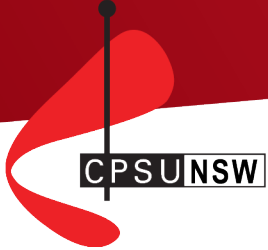
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