

Southern Cross Care (Tas.) Inc. Smoking Policy – Fairway Rise Residential Facility

OBJECTIVE 1.

- 1.1 To ensure that all residents, visitors and employees enjoy a smoke-free environment within the Fairway Rise residential aged care facility precinct.
- 1.3 To eliminate the risk of adverse health effects as the result of passive smoking.

2. **DEFINITION**

- 2.1 SCC: Southern Cross Care (Tas) Inc.
- 2.2 Fairway Rise aged care facility precinct: includes the facility building and all external terrace areas, the roads and front parking circle, the car park and loading bay areas on the lower ground level.

3. **POLICY**

- 3.1 SCC has adopted a clean air environment policy as smoking is recognised as a hazard to the health, safety and welfare of all people.
- 3.2 The Fairway Rise residential aged care facility precinct is a smoke free environment for all residents, visitors and staff.

PROCEDURES 4.

4.1 Residents/Visitors/Staff

- 4.1 Smoking is not permitted in any area of the Fairway Rise residential aged care facility precinct including any vehicle parked in the precinct.
- There is no designated external smoking area within the Fairway Rise 4.2 residential aged care facility precinct.
- 4.3 Staff who choose to smoke will **only** do so during designated lunch and tea breaks and if these breaks are unpaid.
- 4.4 Staff may obtain information on Quit Smoking programmes through Administration.
- 4.5 All prospective residents and their families will be advised of the smoke free environment policy when making an application for a place at Fairway Rise.
- 4.6 All prospective staff will be advised of the smoke free environment policy when making an enquiry or application for employment.

5. **ACCOUNTABILITY / RESPONSIBILITY**

5.1 All staff, residents, visitors and contractors.

REFERENCES 6.

Legislation, guidelines and other documents relevant to this policy include:

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6.1 Public Health Act 1997.

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