

U3A HAWTHORN COVID-19 MEMBER COMMITMENT

U3A Hawthorn will recommence face-to-face courses and activities in 2021. This decision was taken in accordance with the Victorian government Health Department directions and with the approval of Boroondara Council, the owner of our primary facility at Sinclair Ave, Glen Iris. Council approval required the production of a COVID-19 Safety plan which will govern our operations until the pandemic emergency is over. A copy of this plan is available on our website (web link to be provided when plan approved).

Part of that plan includes that members who decide to rejoin face-to-face classes acknowledge that there may still be some residual health risk in doing so, that they are joining voluntarily, and that they will abide by the health and hygiene requirements in the plan.

Each member, including tutors/convenors, will be required to sign this form and return it to Reception for filing. Similarly, volunteers in all other roles such as Reception duty, Committee of Management, must also sign a copy of the Acknowledgement and Commitment Form and lodge it at the U3A Hawthorn Office.

Tutors/convenors also must accept overall responsibility for ensuring that their classes are conducted in accordance with the health plan. They must mark a roll for each class and this may be called for in case contact tracing is required.

It is to be understood that the decision to attend a class at U3A Hawthorn is solely voluntary and that ultimately individual members must consider their own circumstances, including any pre-existing health conditions, in reaching their decision and before committing to face-to-face learning. This commitment also recognises that U3A Hawthorn's requirements outlined in this plan are part of its commitment to help to protect your fellow members.

This requirement remains in place until rescinded or altered due to changes in the pandemic crisis and associated government policies.

MEMBER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND COMMITMENT

In voluntarily participating in a face-to-face activity at U3A Hawthorn I am aware that my participation may expose me to some residual risk from the current COVID-19 virus.

To minimize risk, I commit to following the requirements of the U3A Hawthorn COVID-19 Safety Plan, including:

- * NOT coming to class if I am unwell, especially if the symptoms include cough, high temperature, breathing difficulties or other respiratory conditions.
- * Only attending face-to-face classes I am formally enrolled in
- * Adhering to the social distancing requirement of 1.5 metres between members.
- * Committing to following stipulated hygiene practices, including using provided hand sanitizer and wipes and participating in any other hygiene activities as required
- * Bringing my own bottled drink to class if desired.
- * Providing my own exercise equipment (e.g yoga mat) and removing it on completion of the class.
- * Leaving campus immediately as soon as my class has concluded.
- * Immediately notifying U3A Hawthorn if I test positive to COVID-19.
- * Wearing an appropriate face mask in accordance with regulations.

I accept that if I do not strictly comply with the Plan, I will be asked to immediately leave the class and the campus, and I hereby acknowledge that I will immediately leave.

I also accept that should I not be able to comply with the Plan, I will not attend classes, and/or may be asked to leave the campus.

I accept that in signing this form I will take full responsibility for my own actions to comply with the Plan and minimize the risk of the COVID-19 virus to myself and other members of U3A Hawthorn.

Name:.....(Please print) Member No.....

Signed:..... Date:.....