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Public Announcement: Changes to Permit Entry Requirements for APY Lands

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APY Community Members and Visitors:

We have some important updates regarding the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands permit requirements.

Following a comprehensive review of our entry requirements, the APY Executive Board of Management has approved changes that come into effect as of 13 July 2023. These amendments are in response to the significant improvement in the COVID-19 situation, thanks to our successful pandemic response measures, including a high percentage of vaccinations amongst our residents.

The following permit entry requirements will no longer be in place:

- Vaccinations are no longer required for entry into the APY Lands
- Mask wearing will not be mandatory
- Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) are not required for entry.

However, please note, individuals working in high-risk settings such as health clinics, aged care, and disability settings are **strongly encouraged** to participate in a rapid antigen testing regime.

We recommend testing the day before entering the APY Lands, then again on days 3 and 7 of your stay.

Additionally, these individuals should consider wearing masks while at work. Each respective industry should continue to enforce their policies and recommendations around COVID-safe measures and requirements.

The APY permit entry requirements will henceforth include:

- Filling out a permit application
- Undergoing an annual National Police Check or Working with Children Check
- Participating in an Individual Risk Assessment
- Adhering to the aforementioned recommendations if working in a high-risk setting.

We appreciate your understanding and co-operation as we continue to work towards ensuring the safety and well-being of our community while gradually returning to normalcy.

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or need further clarification on the updated permit entry requirements.



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