

Policy – COVID-19

Introduction

U3A Southern Peninsula is a voluntary not for profit organisation. Its members are retired or semi-retired and aged 50 plus. U3A Southern Peninsula is able to function because of the volunteer tutors and organizers.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out the rules relating to COVID-19 that fall within Terms and Conditions of being a member of U3A Southern Peninsula.

Policy Statement

U3A Southern Peninsula complies with all Government and venue provider regulations regarding COVID-19 attendance in courses and activities particularly about vaccination status.

Rules

U3A Southern Peninsula has developed rules to sit within our COVID-19 policy statement. These rules will be updated as Government regulations are updated.

1. Based on the Victorian roadmap, future face-to-face classes may be held in accordance with State and local Government restrictions. Zoom classes can continue throughout without restrictions.
2. The various conditions included in the roadmap have effectively been decided by the Victorian Government, Mornington Peninsula Council, and other venue operators. Anyone who does not wish to abide by the restrictions will not be permitted to attend face-to-face classes.
3. In line with Government requirements, all individuals will need to prove that they are fully vaccinated before attending classes (i.e., it will not be sufficient for them simply to say that they are vaccinated). This can only be achieved by showing their COVID-19 digital certificate.
4. Vaccination status needs to be shown to each Tutor/Leader prior to participating in the first face to face activity.
5. Alternatively, status may also be provided to the Course Coordinator or office volunteers by contacting them and they will assist the member. Tutors will be advised of a member's vaccination confirmation.
6. Confirmation of a member's vaccination status will be stored in the membership database. No electronic or hard copy versions of a member's certificate will be retained.

Responsibilities

All members, including Tutors registered to hold face-to-face classes must follow the above rules as per the Rules of Association of U3A Southern Peninsula.

The Secretary will ensure that the UMAS database is maintained with the required data.

Authorization

This Policy was adopted by the Committee of Management of U3A Southern Peninsula and minuted as such on October 26th, 2021.

Policy Review

This Policy will be reviewed if circumstances change.