Hi my name is ——— and I work at Uniting. Today is 9th November 2020. In this audio I will share some updates in relation to ease of COVID19 restrictions in Victoria.

As of today 9th November, you can travel between regional Victoria (for example Shepparton and Wodonga) to and Melbourne. There are no limits on how far you can travel or the reasons you can travel. You do not need a permit to travel. The 25 km limit on how far you can travel no longer applies.

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* Face masks must be worn when you leave home.
* You can have up to two people visit you at home each day. Infants under 12 months are not included in this cap, and other dependents can also attend if they cannot be left unattended or cared for in another setting. The two people may be from different households and may visit separately. Your intimate partner (husband/wife/fiancé) is not included in the cap.
* Outdoor gatherings in a public place are limited to up to 10 people, infants under 12 months not included in the cap. A public place means an area that everyone can access, for example a local park or the beach.  So, if you want to organise a birthday you can have up to 10 people (including your household members) attend at a park.
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* Indoor non-contact sport can also resume for those aged 18 years and under. Up to 20 people can participate in the indoor exercise (like a dance class, indoor community sport is limited to he minimum number of people required to play the sport, up 20 people).
* Outdoor religious gatherings can be held near a place of worship with up to 50 people plus a faith leader. While attending a religious gathering there are steps you need to take to keep yourself and others safe including not sharing food, drink or items. You must also wear a mask unless you have exemption.
* Indoor religious gatherings can be held with up to 10 people per group (plus a faith leader), and 20 people per facility. While attending a religious gathering there are steps you need to take to keep yourself and others safe, including not sharing food, drink or items. You must also wear a mask unless you have an exemption. There will be restrictions in place that includes limiting the service length to a maximum of 90 minutes and maintaining at least 5 metres between each group of 10.

Community venues, including libraries and neighbourhood houses, are open for up to 20 people indoors with a maximum of 10 people per space, if the hall is big enough.

* The NSW Government has announced that the border between NSW and Victoria will reopen from 12.01am 23 November 2020. So you can travel to Sydney only after 23 November 2020.
* From 22 November – Private gatherings at home will be able to increase to 10 people. Gatherings for religious services, weddings and funerals will also increase too. hospitality venues will be able to have up to 100 indoors, 200 outside.

We will do another audio closer to the date to keep you posted.

If you need more information, please call your Case manager or Uniting at 03 5831 6157