

COVID-19 IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS FOR P&C ASSOCIATION RUN CANTEENS

Food Handling

P&C Associations may want to consider following the below **general** practices:

✓	Washing hands between handling raw and cooked foods
✓	Thorough cooking and proper handling of meat products
✓	Covering your mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing
✓	Avoiding close contact with anyone showing symptoms of respiratory illness, such as coughing and sneezing

*Source: www.foodstandards.gov.au

Additional considerations:

✓	Wash hands thoroughly and regularly with warm soapy water and dry thoroughly with paper towel, disposing of the paper towel in a bin fitted with a lid. Some examples: before starting work, in between meal preparations or food handling and cash handling, after cleaning up, before and after using the bathroom, before and after eating and / or breaks, at the end of the workday
✓	Wear gloves when handling cash and dispose of gloves to ensure no cross contamination
✓	Consider preparing prepacked food to avoid cross contamination or simultaneous handling of cash or other items
✓	Provide PPE i.e. gloves, masks, hand sanitisers etc.
✓	Wipe down benches and other surfaces regularly and thoroughly
✓	Avoid close contact with anyone sneezing, coughing or blowing nose
✓	Practice social distancing when and where possible
✓	If you feel unwell, it is best practice to not work or volunteer at your canteen



Useful links:

Food Standards Australia New Zealand www.foodstandards.gov.au

NSW Health www.health.nsw.gov.au

Australia Government Health Department www.health.gov.au

Employment issues

Should the school shut down, what happens with our employees' wages?

We suggest checking the Fair Work Website for up to date information regarding employment and the COVID-19 [FairWork Ombudsman - Coronavirus and Australian workplace laws, FairWork Commission and Services Australia](#) .

We also suggest that your P&C Association refer to the stimulus packages that the Government is proposing to assist small businesses through this issue as there maybe some assistance for the business.

Possible school closures

What provisions should we be making for a possible school closure

Understand your current financial position and do a cash flow analysis to project how continued operation will impact on financial reserves. Work out how a possible school closure will impact on your financial position and take measures to ensure you could cope with it.



It is important to note that the current situation is everchanging, therefore, information is constantly changing. We strongly recommend and encourage people to keep themselves informed with information from the Government, NSW Health, the Department of Education and your Principal.