COVID-19 Notice

Friday 15 May 2020



Crisis Accommodation - Review of meal provision

This notice is to provide staff with further information regarding the access to food, whilst residing in crisis accommodation arranged by the Crisis Accommodation Team, during the COVID-19 pandemic. It outlines the revised provision for staff who are residing in Crisis Accommodation that fall under Criteria 1 for Crisis Accommodation (i.e. staff who are well and working).

Staff who fall under Criteria 2 & 3 for Crisis Accommodation (i.e. staff who need to isolate away from home) will continue to have all meals delivered to their room door.

As outlined in previous communications, we are living in new and very challenging times, with circumstances constantly changing, and accordingly it is important that arrangements are tested and reviewed. The Trust has now reconsidered this arrangement as new information has become available and the provision of food to NIAS staff has improved.

Accordingly, the Trust would advise that from Monday 18th May 2020, staff, who meet NIAS criteria 1, (i.e. Well and Working), will be able to access Bed & Breakfast whilst requiring to reside in Crisis Accommodation, provided this is booked through the Crisis Accommodation Team. There will be no further entitlement to any supplementary allowance.

The new arrangements will commence on 18th May 2020.

The Trust wishes to express its appreciation to all staff for pulling together to help tackle the COVID-19 outbreak and for continuing to work tirelessly to deliver our service and ensure that our patients, staff and the public are as safe as possible.