Media Statement

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COVID-19 Update from Calvary Haydon Retirement Community

Calvary can confirm that there are now no active cases of COVID-19 at Calvary Haydon Retirement Community.

Our eight residents who tested positive for COVID-19 and three of the four COVID-positive staff members have now recovered from the virus. We expect to be notified that the fourth member of staff has recovered soon.

No new cases of COVID-19 have been identified at Calvary Haydon since 2 October 2021.

Since the beginning of the outbreak on 23 September 2021, a total of fifteen residents and four members of staff have tested COVID-positive. Sadly, seven residents diagnosed with COVID-19 have died during the outbreak. While six of these residents were in their end of life phase before testing positive for COVID-19, we know this doesn't mean their loss will be any easier for their loved ones.

Our thoughts remain with the families and friends of those who have died, our residents, their families, and our staff who have cared for them during their time at Calvary Haydon.

While there are no current active cases of COVID-19 at Calvary Haydon, for resident safety the home must remain in lockdown until the outbreak is declared over by ACT Health.

General visitation will not be permitted until the outbreak is declared over however special exemptions have been granted for several visitors who have attended the home for visiting their loved ones at end of life.

Our dedicated staff continue to work diligently to keep all residents safe from infection. Our staff are trained in strict infection prevention and control protocols and continue to provide all resident care while wearing the appropriate PPE at all times.

We know that lockdown is difficult for residents and their loved ones. Window visits and Calvary's video call service are available to support the social connection and wellbeing of residents and families.

Our team of lifestyle staff and allied health practitioners, including physiotherapists and pastoral carers, continue to be available to support the holistic care needs of all residents.

For daily COVID-19 updates visit www.calvarycoronavirusupdates.org.au

About Calvary Haydon Retirement Community ACT: Calvary Haydon Retirement Community provides quality **residential aged care** and support including dementia-specific services and respite accommodation for up to 100 residents. Calvary Haydon also offers 78 **independent living units**, currently occupied by 98 residents.

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About Calvary

Founded in 1885 by the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary, Calvary is a charitable, not-for-profit, Catholic health care organisation. Our mission is to provide quality, compassionate health care to the most vulnerable, including those reaching the end of their life. We're responsible for over 12,000 staff and volunteers, 14 Public and Private Hospitals, 17 Retirement and Aged Care Facilities and a national network of Community Care Centres. To find out more visit www.calvarycare.org.au

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