



## MEDIA RELEASE

### POSTPONEMENT OF HARTLEY CYCLE CHALLENGE 2021

After extensive discussions and consultation with Cycle Challenge Team Leaders and considering both the ACT and NSW Governments current and forecasted restrictions due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Hartley Lifecare has made the difficult decision to **postpone** the 2021 Hartley Cycle Challenge until early 2022.

This decision was based on Hartley's responsibility to safeguard our clients, staff, volunteers, and event participants from the risks associated with holding such an event during the current delta strain outbreak. The safety of the wider community was also at the forefront of the Board's decision-making process.

We understand that this may be disappointing for some, however we must put the safety of our clients, staff and volunteers first. With the current trajectory of vaccination rates and information provided by ACT and NSW Health, we are confident that The Cycle Challenge will be able to go ahead in early 2022.

Hartley Lifecare would like to thank all our amazing participants, sponsors and support crew for their hard work and relentless effort so far. We enjoyed an excellent response from the Canberra Community and our team had been working hard to try make this year's Cycle Challenge a COVID-safe event, however the risks remained too high to go ahead in November 2021.

At Hartley, our purpose is that our clients and their families have the opportunity to live their best life. Although this is a set-back for our organisation, we are committed to hold an event in early 2022 and at this stage, have no intention of cancelling.

Please continue to monitor your emails, social media and our website for updates regarding the potential dates for the postponed event in early 2022.

To the Canberra and wider community, we say thank you for your ongoing support and encourage everyone to please continue to stay safe.

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