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AFDA WORKS WITH GOVERNMENT ON FUNERAL LIMITS

The Australian Funeral Directors Association (AFDA) has welcomed the opportunity to engage with the NSW Government in determining safe and responsible funeral attendance limits.

The President of AFDA, Andrew Pinder, said New South Wales continues to lead the way in responding to the needs of grieving families while acting in the best interest of the State and community.

Following consultation with the AFDA and health experts, the NSW Government today announced funeral attendance would be capped at 100 people abiding by the one person per four square metre rule.

Mr Pinder said: "We thank the NSW Government for consulting with the AFDA to work cooperatively on achieving sustainable, responsible and respectful restrictions relating to funeral attendance."

"The past few months have been incredibly difficult on grieving families and AFDA is pleased the Government has announced a safe and respectful solution at this time. AFDA has worked closely with the NSW Government throughout the pandemic and closely this week to ensure funeral restrictions allow for the NSW community to safely mourn their loved ones with friends and family."

"NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian and her Ministers have demonstrated compassion and a willingness to engage on this important issue and that will continue to be appreciated by the entire community."

The Australian Funeral Directors Association is the national peak industry body with members in every State and Territory representing approximately 60% of all deaths in Australia.

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