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## **VISITOR GUIDELINES – General**

- Visitation is permitted at all times as long as they do not infringe upon another resident's rights.
- While it is not recommended to enter the facility during an outbreak due to safety concerns, visitors are permitted to enter, understanding the increased risk of transmission of the virus.
- Although discouraged, visitors may conduct a visit with a resident in quarantine and isolation.
   The visit must take place in the resident room and additional PPE will be offered to visitors entering these types of rooms.
- Visitors are expected to follow any visitation guidelines required by the facility, to maintain the health and safety of all residents
- Visitors should understand the health risks of COVID-19 and the importance of taking steps to minimize exposure for all the residents of the home.
- Visitors not willing to follow the core principles of COVID-19 infection prevention outlined on this document will not be permitted in the facility or may be asked to leave the facility.
- Any visitor who has a positive screen with symptoms of COVID-19 infection in the prior 10 days
  or who has been exposed in the prior 5 days (regardless of the visitor's vaccination status) will
  not be permitted to visit with a resident.
- Any visitor who had an exposure to SARS-CoV-2 in the prior 10 days must have quarantined for at least 5 days prior to visiting the facility, or have received their booster vaccine or been fully vaccinated within the past five months with Pfizer or Moderna vaccine or two months with Janssen vaccine, be able to wear a facemask at all times, and is strongly encouraged to have received a negative COVID-19 test prior to entering the facility.
- Only Vaccinated Visitors are allowed in the Resident's room

## **VISITOR GUIDELINES – Upon Arrival**

- All residents and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, are required to wear facial coverings
  and socially distance at all times while in the facility and in all visitation areas. Cloth Masks are
  not recommended and a surgical mask or higher quality is preferred.
- Hand hygiene is highly recommended before and after visitation in this case.
- Visitors are required to participate in a health screening during the entrance process.
- Visitors who have a positive viral test for COVID-19, symptoms of COVID-19, or currently meet the criteria for quarantine, will not be permitted to enter the facility.
- Visitors are strongly encouraged to share their vaccination status with our facility.



## **VISITOR GUIDELINES – During Visit**

- Visitors are required to physically distance from other residents and staff during visitation.
- For in-door arrangements, all visitors are required to remain in the visitation area and limit their movement in the facility (e.g. not wander through the facility) to reduce the risk of transmission.
   Visitors should go directly to the visitation space and then exit the facility as soon as possible after the visit is complete.
- Although there is not currently a limit on the number of visitors that are permitted at a given time, please note that social distancing must be accommodated during visitation. In certain occasions, limitations to visitors may apply to ensure safety measures can be met.
- If a resident's roommate is unvaccinated or immunocompromised (regardless of vaccination status) visitation should not be conducted in the resident's room. The resident will be asked to conduct their visit in the visitation area.
- Residents and visitors will not be permitted to eat or drink during visitation until further notice.
- If feasible, the facility will offer Rapid Testing to Visitors per DPH guidelines.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions at <a href="mailto:mmccarthy@maryannmorse.org">mmccarthy@maryannmorse.org</a> .

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Thank you,