

Outdoor Visitation

Visitor Guidelines



While taking a person-centered approach and adhering to the core principles of Covid-19 infection prevention, outdoor visitation is preferred, even when the resident and visitor are fully vaccinated against Covid-19

Planning Your Visit:

- All visits must be scheduled in advance.
- Visits will be allotted a minimum of 30 minutes.
- On the day of their visit, visitors must bring (i) a state issued driver's license or other form of identification issued by a governmental body, (ii) appropriate PPE including a facial covering that covers the nose and mouth.
- Visitors may not bring pets, food or beverages with them for a visit.
- For visitors that are below the age of 18, the visitor must be accompanied by an adult or have the ability to abide by the core principles of infection prevention.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Residents that are COVID-19 positive, have COVID-19 signs or symptoms, or that are under quarantine or an observation period are not eligible for outside visits.
- Residents who have had COVID-19 must no longer require transmission-based precautions in order to be eligible for outside visits.
- Those who would like to visit residents that are not eligible to participate in outdoor visits should contact the Social Worker to discuss alternative options, such as virtual visits.
- All visits are subject to the weather conditions and any changes to circumstances, legislation or guidance that may come into effect.
- Visits will be cancelled if visitors or residents display any sign or symptoms of illness or otherwise become ineligible for outdoor visits.

What to Expect During Your Visit:

- Visitors must arrive 10 minutes prior to their scheduled visitation time and proceed to the reception area, where they will be screened for signs/symptoms of COVID-19, have their temperature checked and complete applicable paperwork, which will include visitor contact information. Failure to arrive 10 minutes prior to the scheduled visitation time may result in a shorter visitation period and visitors exhibiting COVID -19 symptoms will not be permitted to proceed with their visit.



- Visitors will be advised of the risks of the spread of COVID-19.
- Visitors may be asked to wait in order to allow adequate time for our staff to clean the designated visitation area between visits.
- Visitors must perform hand hygiene with the alcohol-based hand rub provided prior to entering the visitation area.
- Visitors must wear appropriate PPE including a facial covering that covers the nose and mouth, and which must remain on the visitor for the duration of the visit and while on the facility premises.
- Visitors must maintain safe social distancing of at least 6 feet at all times while on the premises.
- Visitors must remain outside of the visitor screen and may not come into physical contact with the resident. However, for a resident who is fully vaccinated*, he/she can choose to have close contact (including touch) with their visitor while wearing a well-fitting face mask and performing hand hygiene before and after. The fully vaccinated resident may request that the physical barrier used to reduce transmission be removed for the duration of the visit.
- Visitors must leave the grounds at the end of the visit and are not permitted to visit with any other resident or enter any other part of the facility.

Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in a visitor's removal from the premises or the denial of future requests for visitation.

*Fully vaccinated is defined by CDC as a person who is ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2dose series, or ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of 1 dose of a single dose vaccine.

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