

COVID-19 VISITATION POLICY

COVID-19: A virus (more specifically, a coronavirus) identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness first detected in Wuhan, China.

Goal:

1. To safely allow socially distanced in-person visitation with residents and families
2. Prevent an outbreak

Appointment Procedure:

1. Visitors will pre-register for visitation utilizing an electronic scheduling system.
 - a. Thirty minute visits will be scheduled
 - b. Visitation will be Monday through Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm
 - c. Residents may have a maximum of two visitors. No visitors under the age of 18 will be permitted.
 - d. Visitors will only be permitted to schedule one appointment with their resident in a three week period, or until each resident has had the opportunity to schedule a family visit.

Screening Procedure:

1. Visitors may arrive no more than 10 minutes prior to appointment.
2. Visitors will undergo health screening in designated area prior to visitation.
 - a. Provide negative COVID-19 test result within one week (7 days) of visit
 - b. Screening questions
 - c. Temperature check
 - d. Documentation will be kept for each of the following:
 - i. First and last name of the visitor;
 - ii. Physical (street) address of the visitor;
 - iii. Daytime and evening telephone number;
 - iv. Date and time of arrival and departure;
 - v. Email address, if available;
 - vi. Date of negative COVID-19 test result; and
 - vii. A notation indicating the individual cleared the screening
3. Visitor will be provided with fact sheet outlining visitor expectations
4. Once visitor clears screening, he/she will be directed to sanitize hands then proceed to assigned visitation station.
 - a. Resident will be brought out to visitation station once visitor is settled into assigned location.
5. If visitor fails to present a verified negative test result within the last seven (7) days and/or clear screening, he/she will not be permitted visitation with resident.

Visitation Procedure:

1. Outdoor visitation will occur under pavilion area.
 - a. Up to three outdoor visits will be facilitated at one time.
 - b. Area will be visually divided into separate visitation stations.

- c. Markings will be in place for visitors to remain at least six (6) feet from resident.
 - i. Visitors will have no direct contact with resident.
 2. Indoor visitation will occur in a well-ventilated common area.
 - a. Common area used for visitation will not be simultaneously used for any other purposes.
 - b. Only one visit will be facilitated in indoor common area at one time
 - c. Markings/ visual divider will be in place for visitors to remain at least six (6) feet from resident.
 - i. Visitors will have no direct contract with resident.
 3. Signage will be provided regarding facemask utilization, hand hygiene, and use of applicable floor markings to cue social distancing delineations.
 4. Facemask/face covering must be worn throughout the entire length of visitation.
 5. Visits will be 30 minutes in length.
 - a. After 30 minutes, staff member will remove resident from visitation area.
 6. If any visitor fails to adhere to the protocol, he/she/they will be prohibited from visiting for the duration of the COVID-19 state declared public health emergency.

Cleaning Procedure:

1. Cleaning will occur in between each visitation time frame.
2. EPA-approved cleaning material will be utilized to clean all surfaces in visitation stations.

Cancellation Procedure:

1. Outdoor visitation will be weather permitting.
 - a. Outdoor temperature must be between 55 degrees to 90 degrees Fahrenheit
 - b. Visits will be canceled for extreme weather
 - i. ie: snow, hail, thunder, lightning, intense rain
 - a. Families will be notified of cancelled visitation due to inclement weather.
 - c. Any visits cancelled due to inclement weather may be re-scheduled at the next available appointment slot.
 - d. Indoor visitation may be utilized when weather does not permit outdoor visitation.
2. Visitation will be based on facility COVID-19 status
 - a. No staffing shortages
 - b. Absence of any new onset of COVID-19 among staff and/or residents
 - i. No less than 14 days
 - c. Announcement of cancelation of visitation related to COVID-19 status will be published to website and Facebook page.

Compliance:

1. Compliance with DOH COVID-19 visitation guidelines will be monitored by the designated task force.