# **Visitor Guidance**

## **LONG TERM CARE**



#### **General Visitation Guidelines**

- Visitation is allowed for all residents, at all times.
- Visitation is not recommended, though allowed, during an outbreak and while conducting testing at the facility, and for residents who are on transmission-based precautions (TBP) or quarantine, due to the increased risk for transmission of COVID-19 to both visitors and residents.
  - » Visitors who choose to visit a resident while on TBP or quarantine, or during an outbreak investigation, must acknowledge the increased risk for COVID-19 transmission and comply with all indicated safety measures as outlined by facility staff while on site.
- All visitors are encouraged to follow the core principles of infection prevention practices as indicated on this sheet, as directed by facility staff, and as posted throughout the facility.



# **Masking and Hand Hygiene**

- All visitors and residents must wear a medicalgrade mask that covers their nose and mouth during visitation, regardless of vaccination status. Cloth masks alone are no longer acceptable.
- If visiting a resident currently on transmissionbased precautions (TBP) or quarantine, additional personal protective equipment may be required during visitation.
- Visitors must also follow proper hand hygiene:
  Wash hands often with soap and water for at least
  20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose,
  coughing, or sneezing.
  - » If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.





#### **Social Distancing**

- All visitors and residents should maintain a physical distance of 6 feet, regardless of vaccination status, and whenever possible.
- During indoor visitation, visitors should limit movement around the facility, and go directly to the resident's room or designated visitation area.
- Both private and semi-private in-room visitations are allowed.
  - » If a resident's roommate is unvaccinated or immunocompromised (regardless of vaccination status), visits should not be conducted in the resident's room.
  - » If a visit cannot be conducted in the resident's room, an alternate visitation area will be provided, when possible. If an alternate visitation area is not available, all visitors and residents must follow required infection prevention protocols while in the room.



# **Visitor Screening**

- Visitors will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms before being allowed entry into the facility.
  - » If any visitor has recently received a positive COVID-19 test result, exhibits any COVID-19 symptoms, or does not pass screening questions, they will not be permitted to visit.
- Visitors must present a recent negative PCR or antigen (rapid, at-home) COVID-19 test upon entry.
  - » PCR test results must be, at most, two days old. Antigen test results must be, at most, one day old.
  - » If a visitor does not have a negative test result to present, a rapid test will be provided at the facility.
  - » Exemptions to the testing requirement include endof-life and compassionate caregiver visitation.
- Visitors will need to sign in upon arrival and sign out when they leave the facility.
  - » Each visitor will be required to provide their name, address, and phone number for documentation.

## Help us, Help you.

Visitors who fail to comply with any of these guidelines will be asked to leave the facility. After visiting, please monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19. If you experience symptoms, please contact the facility.