

# COVID-19 SCREENING PROTOCOLS FOR VISITORS, STAFF AND ALL PERSONS ENTERING FACILITY POLICY AND PROCEDURE

## **Policy:**

This facility restricts visitors and non-essential healthcare personnel, except certain compassionate care situations until the state or local officials permit limiting visiting with the Opening of America guidance. **All individuals** (staff, other health care workers, family, visitors, government officials, etc.) entering the building will be screened using the most updated guidelines provided by CMS and the CDC.

# **General Considerations:**

- No one should enter the facility if they are not feeling well.
- All individuals entering the building will consent to a temperature check
- Everyone will where a cloth face covering or facemask to enter the facility.
- Everyone will be asked to perform hand hygiene with alcohol-based hand rub prior to the screening process.
- Everyone entering the facility will maintain 6 feet of social distancing while completing screening process.
- Confidentiality will be maintained with the screening process.

Have you had any of the following respiratory symptoms?

- Everyone entering and exiting the building, must sign in and out, noting the areas of the facility they were in.
- Visitors and others should be restricted to the residents' room or other designated location.

### **Procedure:**

In addition to temperature checks, all individuals entering the building will be asked the following questions:

□ Cough	OR any of these symptoms?	
☐ Shortness of breath	□ Fever	□ Chills
	□ Repeated shaking with chills	☐ Muscle or body aches
	□ Headache	□ Sore throat
	□ New loss of taste or smell	□ Nausea/vomiting
	□ Diarrhea	□ Fatigue
	□ Congestion or runny nose	

- If YES to any of these symptoms, the individual is restricted from entering the building, including staff.
- If NO to all, proceed to question # 2

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- 2. Ask if they have had a known exposure to someone with COVID-19.
  - If YES, restrict from entering building.
  - If NO proceed
- 3. Check temperature and document results □ Fever present?
  - If YES, restrict from entering building.
  - If NO proceed.
- 4. Ask all healthcare personnel, including staff, if they have had exposure to other facilities with recognized COVID-19 cases.
  - a. If YES, ask if they worked with a person (s) with confirmed COVID-19
    - If YES, require them to wear PPE including mask, gloves, gown before having any contact with residents and proceed to step #5
    - If NO, proceed to step 5
- 5. Allow entry to building and remind the individual to:
  - b. Wash their hands or use ABHR throughout their time in the building
  - c. Not to shake hands with, touch or hug individuals during their visit.
  - d. Maintain social distancing of 6 feet as able.
  - e. Keep face covering/facemask on while in facility.

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Visitors	Staff
Permitted for certain compassionate care situations  Must wear a facemask when entering the building and at all times.  Restrict their visit to the resident's room or other location designated by the facility.  Social distancing of 6 feet  Hand hygiene	Universal source control:  • Facemask on entry (can be cloth for administrative staff with no direct resident contact)  • Hand hygiene  Maintain social distancing of 6 feet when possible.  Proper PPE as recommended by residents' condition.
Administrator Signature	Date
Medical Director Signature  Participating Health Care Provider Signature	Date

The information on the Employee Sign In Sheet contains health related information that is protected by federal and state laws and may be protected health information under HIPAA privacy law provisions. Dissemination or disposal of protected health information may be done only in compliance with HIPAA and other applicable laws.

Resources: Preparing for COVID-19 in Nursing Homes; May 19, 2020; https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/long-term-care.html

Nursing Home Reopening Recommendations for State and Local Officials; May 18, 2020; <a href="https://www.cms.gov/files/document/qso-20-30-nh.pdf">https://www.cms.gov/files/document/qso-20-30-nh.pdf</a>

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#### **Employee Sign In Sheet- PLEASE WASH YOUR HANDS!!** Remember: Do not shake hands with, touch, or hug individuals Have you had any of these symptoms: fever, chills, Worked in another headache, diarrhea, muscle setting with What areas of the facility were you in today? or body aches, fatigue, sore confirmed COVIDthroat, nausea or vomiting, 19? new loss of smell/taste, congestion or runny nose? **Time Out** Date Name Time In Temp **Phone Number** Cough/Shortness of Breath/Difficulty Breathing Yes / No Yes / No Yes / No Date Name Time In Temp Time Out Yes / No Yes / No **Phone Number** Cough/Shortness of Breath/Difficulty Breathing Yes / No Time Out Date Name Time In Temp Yes / No Yes / No Cough/Shortness of Breath/Difficulty Breathing **Phone Number** Yes / No Date Name Time In Temp Time Out Yes / No Yes / No **Phone Number** Cough/Shortness of Breath/Difficulty Breathing Yes / No Date Name Time In **Time Out** Temp Yes / No Yes / No Cough/Shortness of Breath/Difficulty Breathing **Phone Number** Yes / No Name Date Time In Temp **Time Out** Yes / No Yes / No Cough/Shortness of Breath **Phone Number** Yes / No Date Name Time In **Time Out** Temp Yes / No Yes / No Cough/Shortness of Breath/Dififculty Breathing **Phone Number** Yes / No

Please monitor yourself for signs and symptoms of infection (Cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fever, chills, headache, diarrhea, muscle or body aches, sore throat, nausea or vomiting, fatigue, congestion or runny nose, new loss of smell/taste). Should any symptoms occur, please notify us immediately at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html