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**COVID-19 VISITATION RISK INFORMATION**

Our goal is to provide a safe environment for our residents and staff, to advance the safety of our local community, and to ensure you are aware of the risks associated with visiting your loved one.

Visitors who have a positive viral test for COVID-19, symptoms of COVID-19, or who currently meet the CDC criteria for quarantine as referenced in the questions at check-in should not enter the home.

**Core Principles of COVID-19 Infection Prevention**

* Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer before and after each visit
* Wear a face covering or mask (covering mouth and nose)
* Avoid large gatherings of people
* Maintain a physical distance of at least six feet from staff and/or other residents

**Visitor Safety Information**

* If a resident’s roommate is not vaccinated or is immunocompromised (regardless of vaccination status), visitation will ***NOT*** be conducted in the resident’s room
* If all visitors and the resident are fully vaccinated and the resident is not moderately or severely immunocompromised, you may choose not to a wear face covering and have physical contact
* Visitors should wear face coverings/masks while around other residents or health care personnel, regardless of vaccination status
* Residents on transmission-based precautions (TBP) or quarantine, while not recommended, can still receive visitors in the resident’s room. The resident and visitor should wear a well-fitting facemask (if tolerated), wash hands before and after visit with soap and water (or use alcohol-based hand rub, if soap and water not available), and consistently maintain a physical distance of at least six feet
* In the event of an outbreak, visitation will include wearing face coverings/masks, (if tolerated)***, regardless of vaccination status***, and visits should occur in resident’s private room or a private visitation area

You will be issued a printed badge at the completion of the screening process. Please wear at all times and ensure that it is visible for staff to see. If you are not wearing a badge, you will be asked to leave the premises.

***We respectfully ask that you contact us should experience any COVID-19 like symptoms within 14 days of your visit***.

COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that spreads from person-to-person and can cause mild to severe illness. Most severe illness occurs in older adults. However, people of all ages are at risk of contracting COVID-19, and people with severe chronic medical conditions including, but not limited to, cancer, heart disease, lung disease, and diabetes, are at a higher risk. COVID-19 is a highly contagious disease. Additionally, healthcare workers caring for patients with COVID-19 have a higher risk of exposure. At any time, the home may have residents recovering from COVID-19.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include, but are not limited to, fever, cough, and shortness of breath. Reported illnesses may range from very mild (including some with no reported symptoms) to severe, including death. You can contract the disease from a variety of sources.