

# **Samaritan Summit Village COVID-19 Visitation**

## **Visits**

Visitation should be limited to outdoor areas, weather permitting and under certain circumstances in an inside, well-ventilated space with no more than ten individuals who are appropriately socially distanced and wear a facemask.

When weather does not permit, visitation will occur in the back half of the Great Room. A maximum of 3 residents with 2 visitors each will be permitted to visit at a time, over the age of 18. Each resident will be allowed (1) visitor under the age of 18 will be allowed with a visitor over the age of 18, as allowed by NYSDOH. No more than 10 individuals will occupy the space at one time.

When used as visitation space, the space will have physical barriers in place in order to ensure 6 foot separation between resident and visitors. It will be clearly marked in order to prevent interaction between visitors and residents who are not being visited.

## **Visiting Hours**

Visiting hours will be 7 days per week. Visiting hours will be from Monday to Friday 10:00 AM to 4 PM, and Saturday and Sunday 10 AM to 3:30 PM. Visits will be limited to 30 minutes of visitation, with 30 minutes for disinfection and turnover of the visiting area after each visit.

## **Staff Responsibilities**

Visitors will be scheduled ahead of time by the Activities Director. The staff scheduling will collect the following demographic information from the 2 identified visitors and log it in the electronic visitor log:

First and Last name

Physical (street) address

Daytime and evening phone number

Email address, if available

Activities staff member or designee will be assigned to screen, log, supervise visits, and disinfect visitation area after each visit. Areas to be disinfected include (but may not be

limited to): seating areas, tables or other physical barrier touched by resident/visitor during visit, door handles, etc.

### **Visitation Process**

Upon arrival to visit, the visitors will be screened at the visitor screening station with the Visitor Screening Tool (Attachment #1). Visitors will be screened for signs and symptoms of COVID-19, interaction with COVID-19 known or potentially positive individuals, asked about travel, including international as well as travel to states designated under the Commissioner's travel advisory, and have their temperatures taken.

Visitation will be refused if the individual(s) exhibits any COVID-19 symptoms or does not pass the screening questions (i.e. indicates recent international travel or travel to current state on travel advisory list). Visitors will be required to present a verified negative test result for COVID within the last week (7 days). The screener will mark that such a result was verified.

Visitors will receive the Visitor Expectation handout (Attachment #2), at the time of their visit.

Residents will wear a facemask or face covering which covers both the nose and mouth if able to physically tolerate. Visitors must wear a facemask or face covering which covers both the nose and mouth at all times when on the premises. Visitors must maintain social distancing during the duration of their visit.

Visitors will be required to perform hand hygiene with alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR) containing at least 60% alcohol prior to and after visiting.

Current COVID-19 positive residents, residents with COVID-19 signs or symptoms, and residents in a 14 day quarantine or observation period are not eligible for visits.

If any visitor fails to adhere to the protocol, he/she/they will be prohibited from visiting the duration of the COVID-19 state declared public health emergency.

Visitation will be suspended for a minimum of 14 days if at any time there is new onset COVID-19 among a resident or staff member. Additionally, visitation may be suspended at any time if the facility feels that it is in the best interest of the residents, or due to New York State Department of Health regulatory changes.

## Attachment #1 Visitor Screening Tool

1. *(Point to screening board)* Do you have any of the listed signs or symptoms?

Yes/No

2. In the past 14 days, have you had contact with someone with a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19, or under investigation for COVID-19, or are ill with respiratory illness?

Yes/No

3. Within the last 14 days, have you had any international travel with countries with sustained community transmission?

Yes/No

4. Within the last 14 days, have you traveled to any state currently listed on the New York state COVID-19 travel advisory website?

(See <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/covid-19-travel-advisory> for current list.)

Yes/No

5. Take temperature of visitor. If 100.0°F or higher, explain that they are not allowed to visit with fever.

### **If YES to any question, or temperature 100.0°F or higher:**

- Do not allow visitor in.
- Ask visitor to please re-schedule their visit until they are feeling better.
- Call nursing supervisor, (315) 777-6492, for assistance if needed.

### **If NO to all questions, and temperature less than 100.0°F:**

- Hand (1) facemask, if not wearing mask.
- Hand a copy Visitor Expectation Handout
- Explain that visitor needs to remain in identified visitation area during visit.
- Document screening.

## **Attachment #2 Visitor Expectations Handout**

### **Visitor Expectations**

*These guidelines are for the safety of you, the residents, and staff. They must be followed, or you will be asked to leave the facility.*

- Clean your hands frequently.
- Wear your mask properly (over nose and mouth) at all times.
- Stay in designated visitation area.
- Staff will help supervise you during visit and as you exit.
- Do not attempt to visit if you have any signs of illness.
- Social distance – please keep 6 feet away from others.
- No physical contact is allowed between residents and visitors.
- Please be courteous of visitation schedule to ensure others are able to visit their loved ones.

### **Hand hygiene**

Hand hygiene is the number one way to prevent the spread of disease. Clean your hands frequently.

*At a minimum, clean hands:*

- When you enter or exit the facility.
- After using the restroom.
- After touching your face or wiping your nose.
- After touching your facemask.