

## Long-Term Care Visitor, Absences & Social Gatherings Snapshot As of March 14, 2022

		Requirements	
		Non-outbreak	Outbreak/ Resident in Quarantine
<p><b>VISITORS</b></p> <p>Masks required at all times. Eating and drinking not permitted except where a home is able to provide designated space</p> <p>Up to four visitors (including caregivers) per resident at a time (unless in outbreak or quarantine)</p> <p>Visitors need to follow the individual home's vaccination policy</p>	<p><b>Essential – Caregivers</b></p> <p>Maximum four designated (unless previously designated)</p>	<p>Physical distancing with the resident not required</p> <p>May support in dining room, join in activities</p> <p>Must be screened and tested to enter home</p>	<p>One caregiver per visit may support in resident's room or quarantine room</p>
	<p><b>General Visitors</b></p> <p>N/A</p>	<p><b>New:</b> Physical distancing with the resident not required</p> <p>May support in dining room, join in activities</p> <p>Must be screened and tested to enter home</p>	<p>Not permitted, unless visiting a resident receiving end of life care</p>
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		All Residents	Outbreak/ Resident in Quarantine
<p><b>ABSENCES</b></p> <p>Medical mask required, follow IPAC, active screening on return</p> <p>Testing and isolation requirements following an absence are set out in the Long-Term Care Guidance Document and the COVID-19 Guidance: Long-Term Care Homes and Retirement Homes for Public Health Units</p>	<p><b>Medical, Compassionate, or Palliative</b></p>	Permitted	
	<p><b>Short Term – Essential</b> (less than 24 hours)</p>	Permitted	
	<p><b>Short Term – Social</b> (less than 24 hours)</p>	Permitted for all residents (regardless of vaccination status)	Not permitted
	<p><b>Temporary – Social</b> (2+ days or overnight)</p>	<b>New:</b> Permitted for residents (regardless of vaccination status)	Not permitted
<p><b>SOCIAL GATHERINGS</b></p> <p>Residents wear mask if tolerated, IPAC adherence, cleaning prior/ after</p>	<p><b>Organized Events or Social Gatherings</b></p>	<p><b>New:</b> No cohorting required</p> <p>Limited capacity in a room</p> <p>Social group activities should be in small groups</p>	Advice of the PHU
<p><b>DINING</b></p>	<p><b>Communal Dining</b></p>	<p>Cohorting of residents and physical distancing at table not required</p> <p>Physical distancing between dining tables as much as possible</p> <p>Buffet and family style dining permitted.</p> <p>Caregivers and visitors may join residents while remaining masked at all times</p>	In-suite dining

The document is meant to be used as snapshot of the visitor, absences and social activities section of the Long-Term Care Guidance Document and the [COVID-19 Guidance: Long-Term Care Homes and Retirement Homes for Public Health Units](#). Readers should refer to the [COVID-19 Guidance: Long-Term Care Homes and Retirement Homes for Public Health Units](#) and the Long Term Care Guidance Document for full details of the policies and requirements including exceptions. Homes are encouraged to distribute this document to residents and their families.