# **Visitation Guidelines**

### AgeCare Harmony Court Care Centre

# It is no longer a requirement to pre-book your visits with a resident in the care centre.

It is strongly recommended that long-term care visitors are fully vaccinated with two doses (the second dose received a minimum of two weeks prior).

### **Fully Immunized**

- Must wear a medical mask in all indoor public/common areas, including to and from the resident's room.
- Can remove mask while visiting the resident in their suite or designated area.

### Not Immunized or Partially Immunized

 Must wear a medical mask at all times, including visiting with the resident in their suite or indoor public/common areas.

#### **Time**

#### To allow for screening, visiting hours are:

Monday through Sunday

9:30 am to 12:00 pm

1:30 pm to 5:00 pm

6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

#### Location

- Visits can occur in the resident's suite, designated areas, or outside.
- Whenever possible, residents residing in shared suites-(semi-private), visits should occur in an designated area or outside. If the visit is occurring in a shared suite, the number of visitors may be limited to maintain physical distance from the other residents.

### **Screening Process**

 When entering, visitors must be screened and follow ALL safe visiting practices and COVID-19 protocols.

- Confirm you have reviewed the education materials (see page 2). If this has not been completed, you will need to review this prior to your visit.
- All visitors must understand the risk of unknown exposure for themselves and residents and assess health before visits (see page 2).

#### Information

- Consideration of resident needs and wellbeing should inform the maximum number of visitors at one time in support of meaningful visits.
- Visitors can bring homemade/purchased gifts (no food). Depending on the visitor's risk level, gifts may be disinfected or quarantined.
- During an outbreak, social visits may be cancelled; however, essential visits will remain in place.
- Physical touch can occur between visitor and resident only after hand hygiene and while wearing a mask. Stop all contact and inform staff if you become symptomatic.
- Risk of transmission increases with physical touch. Risk level of physical touch for unknown exposure to COVID-19:
  - Low risk visitor may engage in safe physical touch with resident.
  - Medium risk visitor may engage in safe physical touch if resident accepts the high risk.
  - High risk visitor physical touch is not recommended unless visitor is providing direct resident care and wearing PPE.



# **Visitation Checklist**

**Planning for Your Visit** 

#### **Before Visit**

☐ Make Your Visit a Safe One

To keep you and your loved one safe, please review these 4 educational videos before you visit. When signing in, visitors need to acknowledge that they have reviewed education materials before their visit.

### **Physical Distancing**

1 minute video



Masks: Donning & Doffing

1.33 minute video



## Washing Hands with Soap & Water

1.25 minute video



### **Washing Hands with Sanitizer**

1 minute video



If unable to review beforehand, follow these steps when arriving for visit:

- Open camera on phone and hold device so the code appears in viewfinder
- 2. Tap notification that appears on screen
- 3. Watch all 4 videos then complete form and press 'submit



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### **Day of Visit**

☐ Assess your health to ensure you are not experiencing symptoms.	
Review and understand <u>risk of unknown</u> <u>exposure</u> to you and your loved one.	
☐ Wear a mask before entering the building.	
☐ Bring pen to complete paperwork.	
When Arriving	
☐ Remove current mask.	
☐ Complete hand hygiene.	
☐ Put on new medical mask provided.	
☐ Provide name and contact information to screener.	
☐ Complete Health Assessment Screening.	
☐ Have temperature taken.	
☐ Go directly to resident's suite or designated area.	
When Leaving	
☐ Keep mask on and hand sanitize before leavir room.	ng
☐ Let the nurse know you are leaving.	
☐ Have the screener take your temperature.	