

Long-Term Care Visitor, Absences & Social Gatherings Snapshot As of December 17th, 2021

REQUIREMENTS		FULLY VACCINATED	NOT FULLY VACCINATED	OUTBREAK/ RESIDENT IN QUARANTINE
VISITORS *Masks required at all times. Eating and drinking not permitted except where a home is able to provide designated space Indoors: max 2 per resident at a time Outdoors: max 4 per resident at a time	ESSENTIAL – CAREGIVER Max 2 designated (unless previously designated). Caregivers designated after December 15, 2021 must be fully vaccinated Required to receive first dose of COVID-19 as of December 20 th to gain entry to home. Second dose required as of February 21, 2022*	May have physical contact with resident May support in dining room, join in activities Must be screened and tested to enter home	Are restricted to residents' room for indoor visits where permitted entry to home Outdoor visits permitted. Must be screened and undergo surveillance testing to enter home	May support in resident's room / quarantine room (1 per visit)
	NON-ESSENTIAL GENERAL VISITOR Must be fully vaccinated to gain entry to home*	May have physical contact with resident Entertainers permitted following requirements of a general visitor Must be screened and tested to enter home	Not permitted entry to the home* Outdoor visits only and must be socially distanced from the resident	Not permitted unless resident in area unaffected by outbreak
REQUIREMENTS*		All Residents		OUTBREAK/ RESIDENT IN QUARANTINE
ABSENCES *Medical mask required, follow IPAC, active screening on return *Overnight absences - Testing and Isolation requirements as set out in Directive 3 apply	MEDICAL/ COMPASSIONATE/ PALLIATIVE	Permitted		
	SHORT TERM – ESSENTIAL (<24 hrs)	Permitted for all residents		Permitted
	SHORT TERM – SOCIAL (<24 HOURS)	Permitted for fully vaccinated residents		Not permitted if in area affected
	TEMPORARY – SOCIAL (2+days/ overnight)	Not Permitted		Not permitted if in area affected
	TEMPORARY – ESSENTIAL (2+ days / overnight)	Permitted for all residents		Permitted
SOCIAL GATHERINGS *Residents wear face coverings if tolerated, IPAC adherence, cleaning prior/ after	ORGANIZED EVENTS/ SOCIAL GATHERINGS	Physical distancing can be relaxed; limited capacity in a room Cohorting required for high risk activities (singing and exercise) Avoid large social gatherings		Advice of the PHU
DINING	COMMUNAL DINING	Cohorting of residents, physical distancing at table not required physical distancing between dining tables as much as possible Buffet and family style dining permitted – fully vaccinated caregivers/visitors may join residents while remaining masked at all times		In-suite dining

*End of life care and medical exemptions apply, where one who is not fully vaccinated enters the home with limited access to the residents' room.

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 Directive 3. Readers should refer to [Directive 3](#) 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.