

COVID-19: Screening Checklist – for Visitors and Staff

On March 13, 2020, CMS and CDC updated guidance on restricting all SNF visitors and non-essential healthcare personnel, except for certain compassionate care situations. **ALL individuals** (staff, other health care workers, family, visitors, government officials, etc.) entering the building must be asked the following questions:

1. Has this individual washed their hands or used alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR) on entry?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No – please ask them to do so

2. Ask the individual if they have any of the following respiratory symptoms?

- ☐ Fever
☐ Sore throat
☐ Cough
☐ New shortness of breath

If YES to any, restrict them from entering the building.

If NO to all, proceed to **question #3 for staff** and **question #4 for all others**.

3. For Staff & Health Care Providers (HCP) (e.g. agency staff, regional or corporate staff, health care workers such as hospice, EMS, dialysis technicians that provide care to residents):

3A. Check temperature and document results ☐ Fever present?

If YES, restrict from entering the building.

If NO, proceed to step 3B.

3B. Ask if they have worked in facilities or locations with recognized COVID-19 cases?

- ☐ If YES, ask if they worked with a person(s) with confirmed COVID-19?

If YES, require them to wear PPE including mask, gloves, gown before any contact with residents & proceed to step 4.

If NO, proceed to step 4.

4. Allow entry to building and remind the individual to:

- ☐ Wash their hands or use ABHR throughout their time in the building.
☐ Not shake hands with, touch or hug individuals during their visit.

Visitors	Staff
permitted for compassionate care situation	
☐ Must wear a facemask while in the building and restrict their visit to the resident's room or other location designated by the facility.	When there are cases in the community but none in this facility: ☐ Consider implementing universal use of facemasks for all HCP while in this facility.
	When there are cases in this facility OR sustained transmission in the community: ☐ Implement universal use of facemask for all HCP while in this facility. ☐ Consider having HCP wear all recommended PPE (gown, gloves, eye protection, N95 respirator or, if not available, a facemask) for the care of all residents, regardless of presence of symptoms. Implement protocols for extended use of eye protection & facemasks.