## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS: LTC HOME

UNIVERSAL MASKING, UNIVERSAL EYE PROTECTION AND ACTIVE SCREENING FOR COVID-19 WITH TEMPERATURE CHECKS IS REQUIRED FOR ALL VISITORS AND STAFF

\*Any individual who, in the last 14 days, has been in the countries identified by the federal government in response to the Omicron variant regardless of vaccination status, is not permitted to enter the home until they are released from mandated federal quarantine.

#### LTCH STAFF

Employees of the home, agency staff, placement students and/or contracted staff including registered dietitians, attending physicians/nurse practitioners who have a contract with the home

Must PASS active screening with temperature check\*.

Refer to Active Screening/Triage Tools document to determine testing requirements.

\*Staff who fail screening due to post-vaccination related symptoms must be referred to the ADM/DOC.

#### **SUPPORT WORKER**

(e.g. physician, nurse practitioners, Corporate Support\*, QRI Consultants\*, consulting physicians/nurse practitioners, hospital support, maintenance workers, blood work/lab technicians, oxygen supplier, food delivery, etc. who are NOT LTCH Staff)

Must PASS active screening with temperature check.

Refer to Active Screening/Triage Tools document to determine testing requirements.

PPE provided by the home<sup>1</sup>.

\*Corporate Support and QRI Consultants working in the home in the capacity of a staff member would be classified as a LTCH Staff Member for purposes of screening and COVID-19 testing.

In emergency situations, first responders (ie. paramedics, firefighters, etc.) are permitted entry without screening.

#### **ESSENTIAL VISITORS**

A person performing an essential support service
ALLOWED TO VISIT DURING AN OUTBREAK/ISOLATION

VISITING A
PALLIATIVE OR
CRITICALLY ILL
RESIDENT

Must PASS active screening

with temperature check\*.

NO COVID-19 test, proof or

Visits are restricted to the

PPE provided by the home<sup>1</sup>.

\*Omicron variant quarantine

those visiting palliative

who fail screening, are

and staff.

permitted entry and must

wear a surgical/ procedure

mask and maintain physical

distance from other residents

restrictions<sup>2</sup> are applicable to

residents. All other visitors for

*imminently palliative residents* 

attestation is required.

resident's room.

## GOVERNMENT INSPECTORS

#### **DESIGNATED CAREGIVER**

Designated in writing by the resident/SDM to provide DIRECT CARE to the resident (i.e. family members or friends, privately hired caregivers, paid companions and/or translators).

Must PASS active screening with temperature check.

PPE provided by the home<sup>1</sup>.

Examples of direct care activities include: supporting feeding, mobility, personal hygiene, cognitive stimulation, meaningful connection and assistance in decision-making.

Must PASS active screening with temperature check.

Must attest that they have NOT visited any other resident self-isolating/symptomatic; and/or another home in outbreak in the past 14 days.

Must be trained on PPE/Hand hygiene upon initial visit and monthly. Review visitor policy initially and monthly.

Close physical contact is permitted where both the resident and the designated caregiver are fully immunized. Brief hugs are permitted regardless of immunization status.

#### For outdoor visits:

- PPE provided by home¹ as required, no eye protection required.
   Surgical/procedure mask is required.
- Up to 2 caregivers per resident at a time.

#### For indoor visits:

- PPE provided by home¹. At minimum, a Surgical/Procedure mask is required.
- Eye protection (e.g., goggles or face shield) is required.
- Up to 2 caregivers per resident at a time.

Refer to Active Screening/Triage Tools document to determine testing requirements.

### <sup>1</sup> If the home is not able to provide surgical/procedure mask, no visitors should be permitted inside the home. Essential visitors who are provided with appropriate PPE from their employer may enter the home.

<sup>2</sup>Government of Canada: Quarantine or Isolation <a href="https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/isolation">https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/isolation</a>

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#### **Approval Process:**

Resident (or SDM if applicable) must submit in writing the name of the designated caregiver(s). Residents can designate a maximum of four caregivers (unless designated prior to December 14, 2021).

The DOC or designate will update the resident's PCC Profile to include the name(s) of the designated caregiver(s) and write a progress note.

#### **GENERAL VISITORS**

Provide non-essential services (ie. hairdresser, pet therapy handlers, tours) or for social reasons

INDOOR/OUTDOOR VISIT
GENERAL VISITOR

Access for General Visitors is paused at this time (not permitted).

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