



September 7, 2022

VGM Residents and Families,

We would like to inform you of the changes to our visitation policy. This is in effect immediately but could change if we receive instructions from Public Health.

Here is a summary of the changes:

**Residents Guests:**

- Each Guest must wear their mask for the whole visit.
- Each Resident may have 5 guests.
- There are no age restrictions to guests, but those older than 2 years old must wear a mask for the duration of their visit.
- Visits do not need to be pre-booked.
- Up to 2 guests of the 5 can visit a resident at one time, in the resident's room.
- We ask that guests do not visit other residents, nor go on walks through the halls.
- Upon entry to the building all guests must screen themselves (temperature check), complete hand hygiene, apply a clean medical mask, complete the screening form and sign. Depending on the specific circumstance, you may be required to wear additional PPE (visor/gown). Please respect these instructions.
- Guests must take disinfectant and a cloth to wipe down their resident's room. These items must be returned to the main entrance after your visit.
- Guests may not eat or drink in the Nursing Home, as that would mean removing your PPE.
- Guests may bring food or items into the resident during their visit.

**Off Site Visits:**

- Upon return from an off-site visit, Residents must eat/drink in their rooms for 5 days and wear a mask if they enter other parts of the facility, or if they have another resident visit his/her room.

If you are having symptoms, or are feeling uncharacteristically well, please visit when you are feeling well.

**Each day, you must take your temperature upon arrival to the building.**



Each day, you must respond to the questions below. If any of your answers are “YES”, please do not visit.

1. Do you have any one of the following symptoms?

- Fever (or signs of fever, such as feeling hot or having chills)
- Cough (new or exacerbated chronic);
- Sore throat;
- Runny nose;
- Headache;
- Diarrhea;
- Loss of taste or of smell;
- New onset of myalgia;
- New onset of fatigue.

**BY ENTERING THIS BUILDING, YOU CONFIRM THAT ALL SCREENING QUESTIONS ABOVE, HAVE BEEN ANSWERED “NO”.**

If any of the answers above are “yes”, please leave the building, and call 811.

**New Interior Guest Protocol – Instructions to Guests**

When you arrive:

- Each Guest must screen themselves prior to visiting.
- Enter VGM facility:
  - wash hands
  - put on a surgical mask
  - take your temperature
  - record your temperature
  - Complete the screening form & sign
  - Guests must take disinfectant and a cloth to wipe down their resident’s room. These items must be returned to the main entrance after your visit.

Please stay healthy and happy!

Sincerely,

The VGM Management Team