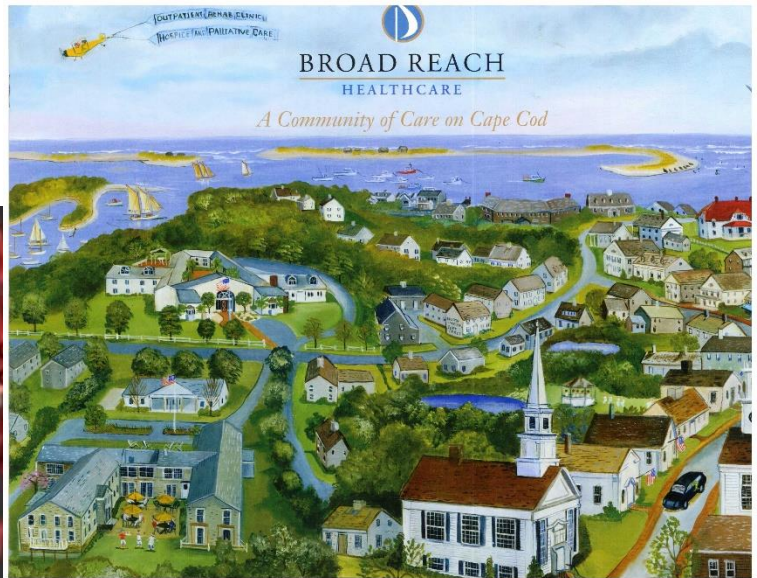


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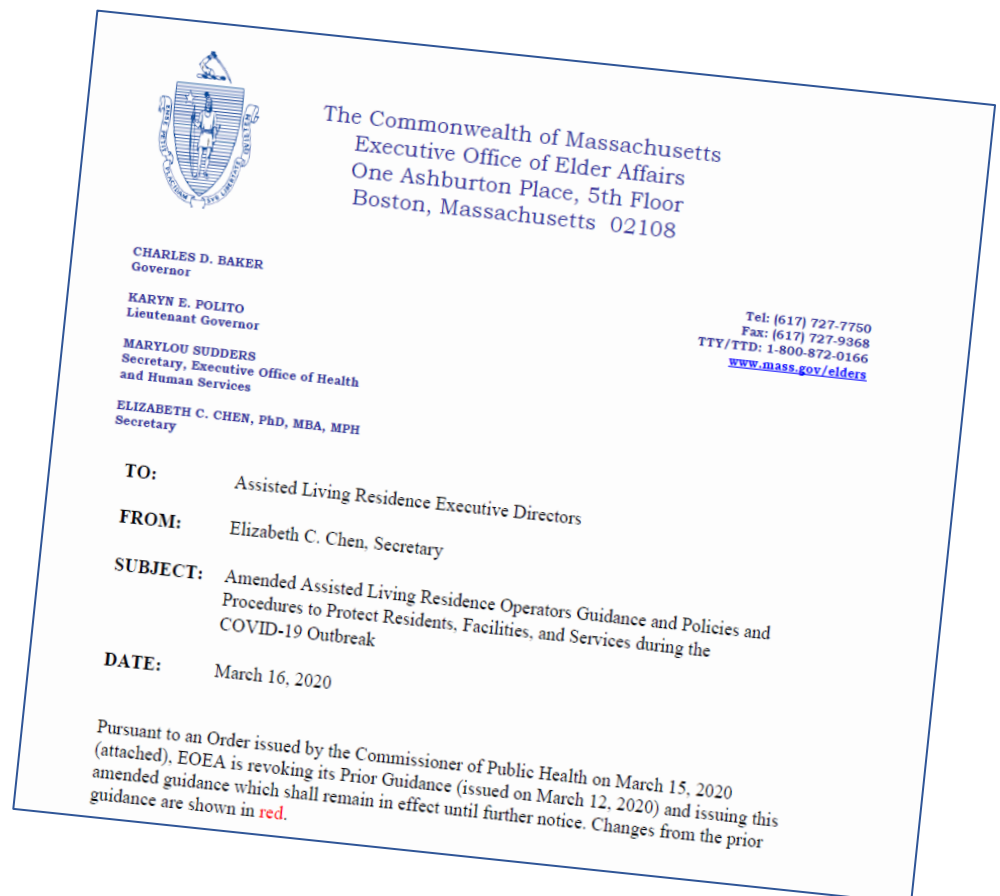
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Circumstances are changing rapidly. We're hoping this reduces those times you wonder what's going on, or why something is happening.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ELDER AFFAIRS ANNOUNCES MITIGATION & MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCES

Assisted living residences in Massachusetts have been further updated by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs on measures to mitigate the impact of Coronavirus in our residences, as well as how to address specific circumstances when residents are ill.





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New Symptoms

If a resident develops new symptoms: Fever, Cough, Shortness of breath:

- Wellness Nurse should seek permission from Resident or legal representative to call the person's health care provider for guidance and coordination.
- If residents are symptomatic, have them put on facemasks and self-isolate in their units.

Environment:

- Residents with known or suspected COVID-19 should be cared for in a single-person unit with the door closed.
- Increased emphasis on early identification and implementation of source control (i.e., putting a face mask on patients presenting with symptoms of respiratory infection).

We have established a protocol to notify family, with permission from resident, and will require a symptomatic resident to wear a face mask and remain in their unit.



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Dining & Activities

Dining Rooms/Cafes

ALRs must cease communal dining and deliver meals to individual resident apartments. Consider leveraging these deliveries as opportunities to check in on each resident and monitor for any changes in status.

Activities and Virtual Visits:

ALRs must eliminate group activities. In lieu of visits and activities, residences should consider offering alternative means of visits and activities using video technology.

All meals will be delivered to individual apartments. All "room service" charges are waived.

Group activities had already been suspended, although this does not preclude individual resident without symptoms from being out of their apartments as long as good "social distancing" practices are maintained.



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ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

On March 10, 2020, Governor Charles D. Baker declared a State of Emergency in the Commonwealth to respond to the spread of COVID-19. The Public Health Council has approved and authorized me to take such actions, incur such liabilities, and establish such rules, requirements, and procedures which are necessary to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in order to protect the health and welfare of the people of the Commonwealth, consistent with the Governor's declaration.

Accordingly, having received that authorization from the Council and with the approval of the Governor, I issue the following Order:

All assisted living facilities shall implement procedures published by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs to restrict visitation as necessary to protect the health of residents and staff. Facilities subject to this order must continue to comply with all applicable statutes, regulations and guidance not inconsistent with this Order.

This Order shall remain in effect from March 15, 2020, until the State of Emergency is terminated by the Governor, or until rescinded by me, whichever shall happen first.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Monica Bharel, MD, MPH
Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of
Public Health

March 15, 2020

This is the actual proclamation from the Department of Public Health under which the original visitation restrictions were imposed.

If you have questions or would like more information about this update, please contact Info@BroadReachHealth.org or 508.945.1211.