



**It is the policy of the organization to** provide The Victorian's residents with the opportunity to socialize with friends and family in resident rooms following federal and state regulatory agency guidelines for transmission-based precautions during COVID-19 pandemic.

**The purpose and objectives of this policy are to** afford a safe environment for residents during social visits with family and friends in resident rooms while maintaining infection control practices and transmission-based precautions instituted by regulations and other guidance related to COVID-19 pandemic mitigation efforts.

**Procedure: In Room Social Visits**

1. Monitor for signs and symptoms of Covid 19 daily i.e. daily temperature checks with monitoring for presence of respiratory symptoms.
2. Individual residents may visit with friends and family in his/ her room with the following restrictions:
  - a. All parties (resident and visitors) must wear a face covering or mask at all times during the visit.
  - b. Food and beverages cannot be consumed during the visit to ensure face coverings remain in place. Food or beverage items can be stored in the resident's refrigerator until after the visit.
  - c. Visitors will be required to wear disposable gown donned at the entry door and removed and discarded in the trash receptacle before leaving the resident 's room.
  - d. Visitors will be asked to perform hand hygiene by washing with soap and water or using alcohol based hand sanitizer upon entrance into the building and again when leaving to the residence.
  - e. Visitors will be accompanied by a staff member to the resident's room and cannot enter any other resident's room or sit in common areas during the visit time.
  - f. Resident's door should remain partially open to allow staff visual observation during the visit to ensure guidelines are being followed.
  - g. No more the two visitors in the room at any one time
  - h. Windows should be opened for increased ventilation whenever feasible.
  - i. Visitors and resident will maintain at a distance of at least 6 feet apart at all times with no physical contact between resident and visitors.
  - j. Times of visits will be scheduled through the Activity Director or Executive Director. All visits should be prescheduled to ensure the residence can facilitate a safe visit for the resident by ensuring adequate personal protective equipment and staff are available.
  - k. The length of time for the visit will be for no fewer than 30 minutes unless otherwise directed by the resident.
3. Visits can be scheduled Monday through Saturday from 10am until 5pm provided sufficient staffing is available. Other times may be accommodated by special request depending on staff availability.
4. Residents showing symptoms of Covid-19 will not be allowed visitors and will be confined to his/her room until are fully recovered from the illness.
5. Any individual who enters the residence and develops signs and symptoms of Covid-19, such as shortness of breath, sore throat, myalgia, chills, or new onset of loss of smell or taste within 2 days after exiting the assisted living, must immediately notify executive director and report date of the visit and individuals he/she was in contact with.