

# BEECHWOOD HOMES

## INFECTION PREVENTION & CONTROL GUIDELINES

1. Active Screening is no longer required, and neither is the need to show a Negative Covid test to visit. Instead, it is important for all visitors to follow the CURRENT facility procedures which are based on guidance from the NY State Department of Health (DOH), the Centers for Medicare/Medicaid (CMS) & CDC. Please note that visitation will continue regardless of Covid-19 status in the facility, but some additional conditions/recommendations may apply as outlined below.
2. Hand Hygiene—It is encouraged that you keep your hands properly sanitized (the facility has sanitizer available throughout) and do so during your visit.
3. Illness—If you feel sick and/or have any of the Covid-19 Symptoms listed below then please stay home and do not visit. This safeguards you and all who live & work at Beechwood.
  - Fever > 100.0°
  - Shortness of Breath/  
Difficulty Breathing
  - Congestion/Runny Nose
  - Sore Throat
  - Headache
  - New Loss Taste/Smell
  - Nausea/Vomiting
  - Cough and/or Chills
  - Muscle/Body Aches
  - Fatigue
  - Diarrhea
4. Covid-19 Positive—If you have tested positive for Covid-19 then please do not visit. Please contact the Nursing Supervisor/Administration who will work with you to determine when it safe to resume visitation.
5. Source Control—Face masks are no longer mandated but they are encouraged at times. The facility may determine (based on current Covid-19 activity in the facility) that a specified household may require face masks for a specific time frame. The receptionist and household staff will be able to direct you accordingly.
6. Exposure—If you have been in close contact with someone who tested positive for Covid then please speak with the Nursing Supervisor/Administration before visiting to determine the extent of your exposure and current risk. The facility will need to know when and for how long you were exposed and if you have any symptoms and/or a negative covid test in order to determine how best to visit, or if it is recommended that you should not visit.
7. Physical/Social Distancing—It is no longer mandated but encouraged for all to practice while visiting during times when Covid prevalence is high in the community. This is especially important when having a "larger" family gathering. Again, the facility may determine (based on current Covid-19 activity in the facility) that a specific household or gathering may require distancing for a specified time frame. The receptionist and household staff will be able to direct you.
8. Vaccination—Although there is no vaccine mandate, the facility encourages all to remain up to date with the recommended Covid-19 vaccination.