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Dear Bensonhurst Center Families and Friends,

For those who are not familiar, Visitation to long term care facilities was stopped in early March of 2020 due to the pandemic. Over the past few months, the Governor and Department of Health have slowly reopened limited visitation to the skilled nursing facilities. We look forward to greeting you all and connecting with your loved ones. Below you will find Bensonhurst Center's updated Visitation guidance and information regarding indoor visitation.

If you have any questions feel free to email npankiv@center84.com.

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME BACK VISITORS!!

1. **For visits in the rooms, residents and visitors need to be fully vaccinated (14 days past the final dose). All other visitors would schedule a visit through the Therapeutic Recreation Department in either our outside patio, dining room on the unit that the resident resides on, or the 1st floor Dining Room.**
2. Please be in contact with Lian at 718-885-8484 x728 to schedule an appointment.
3. Proof of vaccination is required for in-room visits.
4. Maximum of 2 family members per visit. Any individual 18 or younger must be accompanied by an adult. We will accommodate up to 4 families at a time.
5. Visitation for unvaccinated residents will be for up to 30 minutes from 9AM-5PM Monday thru Friday and on the weekend as scheduled.
6. As per the order of the Governor, staff will be present to help with transition of residents, monitoring of visitation, and cleaning and disinfecting areas used for visitation after each visit.
 - Face masks must be worn at all times. This includes guests and residents. Face masks must be well fitted and cover both mouth and nose at all times.
 - If the resident is fully vaccinated (14 days post their 2nd vaccine for Pfizer and Moderna or 14 days past the 1st shot of Johnson and Johnson vaccine), the resident may request close contact and/or physical touch with their loved one but must perform hand hygiene before and after the visit.



Guests must be screened for

- Signs and symptoms of Covid-19.
- Questioned if they have travelled outside of the Tri-State area in the last 2 weeks.
 - Be aware that the list of states that have restrictions can change without notice.
- If yes, Administration must be contacted to approve visitation.
- First and last name of visitor(s)
- Physical Address
- Day and evening phone number
- Date and time of visit
- Email Address
- ❖ Covid-19 positive and those in quarantine are not eligible for visits.
- ❖ New and re-admissions are only eligible for visits, during their 14-day observation period if they were vaccinated over 2 weeks ago.
- ❖ If any visitor fails to adhere to the protocol, they will be prohibited from visiting for the duration of the COVID-19 state declared public health emergency.
- ❖ Be aware that if rules are not followed, visitation in its entirety may be suspended by the Department of Health.

Please note if any staff or resident tests positive, visitation will immediately cease till outbreak testing for all residents is completed. Once outbreak testing is completed that will determine the visitation status for the facility.

These rules and conditions come directly from the memo received from DOH.

Be aware that this situation is fluid and any part is subject to change at any time.

Thank you for your cooperation,

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