

Policy: Fair Acres Geriatric Center COVID-19 Visitation

Responsibility: All employees, residents, and visitors

Visitation is allowed for all residents at all times:

A resident has the right to receive visitors of his or her choosing, and in a manner that does not impose on the rights of another resident.

If a resident is on transmission-based-precautions, visits are discouraged.

1. A resident may deny or withdraw consent for a visit at any time.
2. Outdoor visitation is the preferred method of visitation.
3. Off unit visitation in the lobby is also a preferred method of visitation.
4. Visitors are encouraged to be up to date with COVID-19 vaccines.
5. Visitors who have a positive test for COVID-19, symptoms of COVID-19, or who had a recent exposure to COVID-19 should not visit the facility.
 - Visitors are asked to notify the facility if they test positive for COVID-19, have symptoms of COVID-19, or are currently quarantining due to a COVID-19 exposure and have visited the facility in the past 14 days.
6. In the event of a COVID-19 outbreak at the facility signage will be posted, and the facility website will be updated.
 - Visitors are encouraged to avoid entering the facility during an outbreak as there is an increased risk of contracting the COVID-19 virus while visiting.

Core Principles of COVID-19 Infection Prevention must be followed during visitation:

1. Hand hygiene is encouraged upon entering the facility, as needed during the visit, and prior to leaving the facility.
2. Face masks are optional for visitors.