

Senior Care of Marion

Guidelines for Outdoor Visitation

Facility Criteria

- Senior Care of Marion will establish a schedule for outdoor visitation hours and will work with prospective visitors individually. Visiting hours will be between 10am and 12pm and between 3pm to 5 pm. Visitation will occur on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.
- Senior Care of Marion will communicate our visitation policy with residents' family members and keep them informed of any changes to our policy, including whether we allow outdoor visitations utilizing our website at www.scomsc.com.
- Senior Care of Marion is not required to allow outdoor visitation. The facility has discretion to determine whether to permit outdoor visitation between residents and visitors and may halt the practice at any time based on disease transmission in the facility or community, visitor non-compliance, weather or outdoor temperature, or other factors.
- Senior Care of Marion will utilize the covered porch on west side of building for outdoor visitation. Senior Care of Marion will ensure the outdoor space provides adequate protection from the weather. Visitation will only be permitted at times when the weather would not put residents and visitors at risk.
- Senior Care of Marion staff will sanitize the designated outdoor visitation space with EPA-registered disinfectant at least before and after each visit.
- Senior Care of Marion will ensure that staff supervising the residents during visits are trained in patient safety and infection control measures and enforce social distancing and masks requirements for the duration of the visit. The facility will ensure that staff maintain visual observation while also providing distance necessary for the privacy of the visit and conversation. The facility will ensure the residents remain in their designated outdoor visitation location for the duration of the visit and must not permit residents to approach or enter any vehicles or other modes of transportation.
- Senior Care of Marion will designate outdoor visitation spaces are clearly marked to indicate the positions for the resident and visitor during visit and at least six feet apart.
- Senior Care will establish policies and procedures for conducting pre-visit orientation to include ensuring visitors properly wear a surgical face mask covering their mouth and nose and understand the strict requirement of six-foot social distancing.
- Senior Care of Marion will establish policies and procedures for screening for COVID-19 signs and symptoms, including checking temperatures to assess for fever (100.4°F or greater), for visitors at a screening location designated outdoors when the visitor checks in for the visit.

- Senior Care of Marion will document each visitor at the designated outdoor location before and after their visit, to include, at a minimum, the date of visit, check-in and check-out times.
- Senior Care of Marion will consider their recent and current number of staff and residents with confirmed cases of COVID-19 in determining whether to permit outdoor visitation. signature, visitor contact information (i.e., full name, address, telephone number, and email address), results of their symptom screening, prior COVID-19 test results (if any), relationship to resident they are visiting, and staff that assisted with the visit.
- Senior Care of Marion will provide alcohol-based hand rub to visitors and signage on proper use.
- Senior Care of Marion reserves the right to establish any additional policies and procedures needed to ensure the safety of the outdoor visits and must consider individual needs to residents.
- Senior Care of Marion may choose to set up Plexiglas visitation booths and will establish policies and procedures to include the use of these three-sided protective and sealed booths and the need to sanitize the booths before and after each visit. The visitation booths will have anti-tipping protections, will have a height that extends at least two feet above all the participants' heads, and will have a width that extends at least two feet beyond the participants on the sides.
- Senior Care of Marion will maintain an adequate supply of personal protective equipment (PPE), including masks, gloves, face shields, and gowns as indicated, for routine facility use and for use in family visits.

Visitor Criteria

- A visitor is limited to a maximum visit of 15 minutes.
- Only two visitors are permitted to visit a resident at one time.
- Visitors should be restricted to children 12 years or older. Special family circumstances warranting children under age 12 to visit can be approved by individual facilities on a case-by-case basis.
- Children must be accompanied by their guardian at all times. The child's guardian is responsible for ensuring the child follows safety measures, including social distancing and wearing a surgical face mask for the duration of the visit. Face masks should not be used by any children under the age of two that have been approved by the facility to visit under special family circumstances.
- Visitors must wear a surgical face mask over their mouth and nose for the duration of the visit, including to and from their vehicle or other mode of transportation. Face shields may not be used in lieu of surgical face masks for visitors, though they may be used in addition to the mask or covering if the visitor so chooses.
- Visitors must strictly maintain social distancing for the duration of the visit, including remaining at least six feet away from residents, unless in an outdoor location utilizing a Plexiglas visitation booth as described in "Facility Criteria." Visitors are not permitted to have any physical contact with residents, including hugging, kissing, holding hands, or any other physical contact.
- Upon arrival for a visit, visitors must go to the designated outdoor visitor screening location to sign in and provide contact information.

- In the facility's designated outdoor visitor screening location, visitors must be screened for signs and symptoms of COVID-19, including checking temperature to assess for fever (100.4°F or greater), provide documentation of their COVID-19 test result (if any), and attest that they have not been instructed to be in quarantine currently.
- Visitors must use alcohol-based hand rub upon entering and exiting the outdoor visitation location.
- Visitors are only permitted in the designated outdoor visitor screening location and the designated outdoor visitation location. Visitors are not permitted to enter the facility's buildings at any time.
- Visitors must only visit the resident they intended to visit at the designated outdoor visitation location.
- Visitors should contact the facility with any questions about whether the facility is allowing outdoor visitation, because facilities are not required to allow outdoor visitation.

Resident Criteria

- Residents that are currently in isolation due to recently testing positive for COVID-19, have signs and symptoms of COVID-19, or currently are in a quarantine or observation period are not eligible for outdoor visits.
- Residents that are not currently but have previously tested positive for COVID-19 are permitted only if they no longer require transmission-based precautions in accordance with CDC and DHEC guidelines.
- Residents must have the ability to safely transition, with or without staff assistance, from their room to the outdoor visit location and remain safe in the designated location.
- Residents must not be transported through any space designated as COVID-19 care space or space where residents suspected or confirmed to be infected with COVID-19 or under quarantine are present.
- Residents must wear a surgical face mask, unless a contraindication is present, at all times during the visit, including the transition to and from the outdoor visitation location. Residents must always be positioned at least six feet away from visitors, unless in an outdoor visitation location that encloses them in a Plexiglas visitation booth as set forth in "Facility Criteria."

Triggers for Temporarily Suspending Visitations at a Facility

If one or more cases are identified in residents and/or staff members, visitation must be suspended until CMS testing protocols are completed. Visitation may resume if fewer than three total cases have been identified.

If three or more cases are identified in staff members and/or residents within a 14-day period, visitation must be suspended. Visitation may resume 14 days after the identification of the last case