

COVID-19 Visitation Procedures

Screening Procedures:

- **Everyone, including visitors, will be screened at the entrance to Tamarisk for symptoms or risk factors of COVID-19. Tamarisk will keep a daily log with names and contact information for all visitors.**
- **Visitors and their associated screenings will utilize one single point of entry.**
- **Visitors will be notified of this prior to their visit.**
- **Signs will be posted to identify point of entry and screening process for visitors.**
- **If you are visiting from out of state and have not quarantined for 14 days (as required by the governor), you must produce a negative COVID test performed within 72 hours prior to entry.**

Physical Space, Distancing & Occupancy Limits:

- **All visits will require a reservation and visits will be held daily between the hours of 9:00AM and 4:00PM.**
- **Visitors will be limited to two (2) persons per resident using social distancing of six (6) feet or more.**
- **Tamarisk will provide both outside and indoor locations, each with separate access and egress. If a resident is restricted to their room, there shall only be one visitor per resident.**
- **Residents will be escorted by staff who will be available during the visit.**
- **Staff members will be trained in resident safety and infection control measures.**

- Common surfaces and high touch objects are cleaned and will be disinfected after each visit.

Scheduling and Duration of Visit:

- Visits must be scheduled in advance by phone call or email at the facility.
- Visits will be held hourly Sunday-Saturday from 9:00AM-4:00PM in 45 minute intervals with 15 minutes dedicated to sanitation of the area.
- Unannounced visits are unacceptable and will not be allowed.

Cleaning and Disinfecting Procedures:

- Tamarisk will ensure the performance of environmental cleaning throughout the day, performed by trained housekeeping and maintenance staff.
- High touch surface areas will be cleaned after every visit.
- Tamarisk shall maintain records documenting date/time, location and procedure of all cleaning activities.

Facemasks and Other Personal Protective Equipment:

- All visitors, residents and staff are required to wear a face covering (surgical face masks are preferred).
- Requirements for face covering will be clearly posted at the entrance point for each visitor.
- Visitors will not be permitted without a face covering.

- Tamarisk will have face coverings available should someone require one.

Hand Hygiene:

- Tamarisk will provide hand sanitizer at the entrance and exit of each visiting area.
- Visitors will be required to perform hand hygiene when entering and exiting the facility.
- Hand hygiene should be witnessed by staff.

Communication Plan:

- Tamarisk will follow the following procedures for informing and training all visitors:
 - Have signs posted at entrances instructing visitors that they must coordinate visits to the facility.
 - If the visit was not previously coordinated with the facility it cannot take place.
 - Visits cannot take place if the visitor has any symptoms of COVID-19.
 - Tamarisk will provide instructions before and during visits about wearing face coverings, hand hygiene and limited surface touching.
 - Visitors shall be notified that visitation presents a risk of transmitting a communicable disease; the SARS-COV2 virus can be transmitted by asymptomatic individuals.

- **All visitors will be advised to monitor themselves for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 for fourteen (14) days after exiting the facility.**

- **If symptoms occur, visitors must advise the facility who will instruct them as follows:**
 - 1. Self- isolate at home**
 - 2. Contact their health provider**
 - 3. Provide the dates they were in the facility & individuals they were in contact with while in the facility. Tamarisk will immediately screen the individuals of reported contact, and take all necessary action based on findings.**

- **Tamarisk will continue to encourage the use of alternate mechanisms for resident and visitor interaction, such as video call applications on cell phones and/or tablets.**

Infection Control:

- **If Tamarisk identifies a new onset COVID-19 case within the facility, we will go back to the highest level of vigilance and mitigation with respect to visitations.**

Please call 401-732-0037 if you have any questions or concerns.