

Visiting Procedure / Protocol

Families and friends are encouraged to use virtual methods of communication for regular contact where possible during the pandemic to lessen social contact and possible spread of the virus.



Onsite visits

- Visits are currently being encouraged to be taken in one of the 3 areas of the home. (Resident's bedrooms, Covid-19 room and Garden area)
- Visitors must call the home prior to attending the home to book a time slot. This allows sufficient time between scheduled visits to prevent crossover of visitors and to enable appropriate cleaning to take place.
- Any visits within any enclosed spaces such as the Covid-19 room and Resident's bedrooms will require the use
 of full PPE.
- Currently 2 'named visitors' ONLY are permitted to visit for each resident in the Covid-19 Room or the Resident's bedrooms at any time. Another 2 visitors can visit using the garden area or through a window as long as 2 meters is maintained at all times.
- A maximum of one-hour visits are allowed. This is so we can include visits for as many residents as possible.
- Visitors are verbally screened for any symptoms and must have their temperature screened on arrival with the non-contact body temperature 'gun'.
- Visitors must use hand sanitiser gel upon entry at the gate or main entrance.
- Visitors must wear a face mask at all times, and dispose of it themselves after the visit.
- Visitors should keep physical interaction with the resident to a minimum, for example avoiding skin-to-skin contact and follow the latest social-distancing advice for as much of the visit as possible. (Holding hands is encouraged when full PPE is worn).
- If you wish to bring any gifts, this will need to be something that can be easily cleaned by the care home to
 prevent cross contamination. For example a box of chocolates that could be sanitised with wipes would be
 allowed.
- If by exception there is a visit due to end of life. Two visitor's will be permitted to enter the home at any one time
 with the following PPE mask, apron, gloves.
- Normanhurst retains the right to cease visits in line with central Government and Local authority guidance. Or, if the above measures are not, or cannot practicably be adhered to.

This procedure will be reviewed monthly or on the receipt or publication of new guidance or continued lockdown easing.

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