

## VISITATION GUIDELINES FOR BEATITUDES CAMPUS

### HEALTH CARE CENTER

#### 4-2-2021 Guidelines Subject to Change

**Statement:** With guidance from Arizona Department of Health Services (AZDHS), LeadingAge, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), visitation will be based on the following benchmarks. These National Standards are similar to traffic lights and are outlined below.

Benchmarks	Minimal	Moderate	Substantial
Percent Positivity	<5%	5-10%	≥10%

Community Spread Level	Indoor Visitation at all times for all residents if greater than 70% of residents are fully vaccinated.	Indoor Visitation for unvaccinated residents and with less than 70% residents vaccinated	Outdoor Visitation (no testing required)	Visits for Compassionate Care, Medical, Dental, and Behavioral Healthcare, Clergy, (no test required)	Offsite or community visitation	Symptom Screening and Cloth Face Covering for all Visitors	Physical Distancing (6 feet) *If the resident is fully vaccinated, the resident can choose to have close contact (including touch) with their visitor while wearing a well-fitting facemask and performing hand-hygiene before and after. Regardless, visitors should physically distance from other residents and staff in the facility.	Communal Spaces Open	Off site medical appointments as ordered by a medical professional
	Minimal	Testing not required, but ADHS encourages facilities in medium- or high-positivity counties to offer testing to visitors, if feasible. If so, facilities should prioritize visitors that visit regularly (e.g., weekly), although any visitor can be tested. Facilities may also encourage visitors to be tested on their own prior to coming to the facility.							
Moderate	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Substantial	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes



As depicted by the data in the chart, visitations in the Health Care Center may take place during every status with stipulations if noted above.

**Requirements:**

- Beatitudes Health Care Center requires screening of all visitors, which includes temperature checks, and screening questions pertaining to COVID-19 symptoms and exposure in the past 14 days.
- Beatitudes Health Care Center limits contact with others as much as possible, including in a dedicated visitation space.
- Outdoor visitation is allowed at all times for all visitors.
- Indoor visitation is allowed without testing with a few exceptions, during high community transmission and during an outbreak.
- Beatitudes Health Care Center requires approved mask wearing. Visitors must provide their own mask, which cannot be a handkerchief, bandana, neck gaiter or vented face covering. An N95 or surgical mask or three-ply cloth mask is recommended. Beatitudes will supply a face mask if the visitor is not able to obtain one if the Beatitudes Campus supplies allow.
- Beatitudes Health Care Center requires hand sanitizing prior to the scheduled visit.
- All visitors must sign a visitor log maintained by Beatitudes Health Care Center in the Memory Garden Screening Area for contact tracing purposes.
- Beatitudes Health Care Center institutes enhanced cleaning and sanitation of visitation spaces.
- Compassionate Care Visits are permissible regardless of outbreak status or community transmission.
- Indoor Visitation During an Outbreak: Visitation can resume in unaffected areas of the Health Care Center if evidence exists that the outbreak is contained to a single area of the facility and no other cases are detected through testing in other areas of the facility.
- Staff will use appropriate PPE.

- Effective cohorting of residents may be instituted to allow for COVID-19 care for positive residents.
- If the resident has been fully vaccinated, they may choose to have close contact with their visitor while wearing a well-fitting facemask and performing hand hygiene before and after the visit.
- For situations where there is a roommate and the health status of the resident prevents leaving the room, an in-room visitation will be arranged while adhering to the infection prevention requirements for COVID-19.
- Indoor Visitation Exceptions: Exceptions include residents with confirmed COVID-19 infection whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, until they have met the criteria to discontinue Transmission Based Precautions; or residents in quarantine whether vaccinated or unvaccinated until they have met criteria for release from quarantine.
- Beatitudes Campus has processes/policies in place prior to the start of visitation.

**Process:** The following will be the process for visits:

- Sarah Ramias, social worker in the Health Care Center, will schedule visits. If anyone shows up unannounced and is not on the schedule, they will be scheduled for a future visit.
- Visits will be for at least sixty minutes as staffing allows.
- The outdoor visitation area will be located between outside the front of the Health Care Center in the Memory Garden. The indoor visitation area is in the lobby of the Health Care Center.
- If the resident has been fully vaccinated, they may have close contact as long as they follow the protocol listed above.
- If at any time, the following processes and stipulations are not followed, the visit will end and future visits may be restricted.
- Visitors may park at any open parking space in front of the Health Care Center and go to the screening station at the entrance of the Memory Garden.
- Upon entry they will be screened for symptoms and have temperature taken.

- After signing in and proper hand sanitizing, the visitor will be escorted to the appropriate visiting areas on the unit, in the lobby or outside in the memory garden.
- We ask that you do not enter the Screening Area earlier than ten (10) minutes prior to your scheduled appointment.
- Visitation will occur Monday through Friday and at least one weekend day as staffing allows.
- Visits per day will be five (5) on each unit to allow proper sanitizing procedures and staffing allowance.
- Please remember, guidelines and procedures are subject to change to mitigate the risk of spread or as AZDHS alters guidance.

Contact Information:

Sarah Ramias, MSW, social worker in the Health Care Center, will be the person scheduling visits. She can be reached by email or phone: [sramias@BeatitudesCampus.org](mailto:sramias@BeatitudesCampus.org) or 602-433-6161.

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