

**Garvey Manor and Our Lady of the Alleghenies Residence
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR REOPENING**

Update – August 21, 2020

The Department of Health (DOH) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) have established requirements that nursing and personal care facilities must meet in order to safely lift restrictions which consists of reopening prerequisites, requirements, criteria and reopening “steps”.

As of August 21, 2020, Garvey Manor (hereinafter referred to as NH) and Our Lady of the Alleghenies Residence (hereinafter referred to as PC) have successfully progressed through Step 2 of the reopening plan. We are now able to proceed to **Step 3** since we have met all of the prerequisites and have had the absence of any new onset of COVID-19 cases in the 14 days since we entered Step 2.

PLEASE NOTE: If at any point during re-opening there is a new facility onset of COVID-19 cases, the facility must **cease reopening and return to pre-reopening guidelines**. If this occurs, the facility must restart the 14-day period count. If there is no new facility onset of COVID-19 cases after that 14 day period, the facility may reinitiate Step 1.

Because we have met the prerequisites AND have had no new facility onset of COVID -19 cases (resident or staff) for 14 consecutive days since entering Step 2, we are proceeding to Step 3 of the re-opening guidelines.

We thank you for your cooperation and patience during our first two weeks of in-person visits. It was an exciting, but anxious time for us. We remain vigilant and cautious as we continue to move forward, especially considering the increase in cases in our community. ***We ask that visitors assist us in maintaining our “open” status through vigilance in adhering to social distancing, masking, and hygiene guidelines as detailed in this document both while visiting and while in the community.***

Our in-person visits will continue with much of the same requirements. We need to maintain our ability to meet the needs of all of our residents while we do in-person visits. We have, therefore, adjusted the days and times visits are able to be scheduled. See the details in the grid below. If you have special circumstances that do not fit into this schedule, please communicate that to the staff person doing the scheduling and we will try to accommodate your request if able.

We are extremely pleased that in-person crossover visitation between residents residing in personal care and skilled nursing facilities may occur in Step 3, as long as both facilities have achieved Step 3, which we have. These visits will require the residents to be socially distanced and masked, but many of them have been anxiously awaiting the ability to see their loved one in person. If any conflict of step occurs between the two facilities, window/virtual visitation will be provided.

Visitation requirements in Steps 3 include:

Item of Interest	Details
<p><u>Schedule of Visitation Hours – Personal Care:</u></p> <p>1:30-2:00 pm (S,M,W,Th,Sa) 2:30-3:00 pm (M,W,Th) 3:30-4:00 pm (M-F) 6:30-7:00 pm (M,W,Th)</p> <p><u>Schedule of Visitation Hours – Nursing Home:</u></p> <p>11:00-11:30 am (M-F) 2:00-2:30 pm (S,M,W,Th,Sa) 3:00-3:30 pm (M,W,Th) 4:00-4:30 pm (M-F) 7:00-7:30 pm (M,W,Th)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Up to three PC residents and four NH residents per half hour slot can have visitors. ● Ordinarily two visitors per resident. ● Visits scheduled through Activity Coordinator (PC) or Activities staff (NH). ● Visits will be prioritized by resident need, staff availability, location availability, or order in which the request was received. ● Children are included in the visitor count, must be accompanied/supervised by an adult, and must mask if over 2 years old. ● No pets. ● No delivery of items to the resident during visit. (Deliveries still accepted at white tent.) ● No standing visits will be scheduled.
<p><u>Visitation Spaces:</u></p> <p><i>Outdoor (preferred) – Personal Care:</i></p> <p>A. Tent where double benches are in front of entrance sidewalk B. Gazebo C. Tent by window to left of OLAR entrance</p> <p><i>Outdoor (preferred) – Nursing Home:</i></p> <p>1. Tent on sidewalk area by white fence 2. Tent on patio of front porch 3. Front porch left of main entrance 4. Front porch right of main entrance</p>	<p><i>Indoor - Personal Care:</i></p> <p>A. OLAR lobby B. OLAR Great Room C. OLAR parlor (opposite mailboxes)</p> <p><i>Indoor – Nursing Home:</i></p> <p>1. Lobby by windows 2. Rear of Chapel 3. Admission Parlor 4. Café (during closed hours) or lobby by café</p> <p><i>If indoor areas must be used, the facility may need to reschedule visits to ensure that social distancing can be maintained or restrict length of visits to permit more opportunities for more residents while maintaining social distancing and time to disinfect the area between visits.</i></p>
<p><u>Visitor Screening:</u></p> <p><i>Please bring your own pen if possible. This will conserve our disinfectant.</i></p> <p><i>If you develop symptoms, you will need to reschedule your visit.</i></p>	<p>Screening will consist of visitors having their temperature taken and answering a questionnaire. Visitors who refuse to be screened will not be permitted to visit in person and will be given instruction on how to schedule a virtual or window visit.</p>
<p><u>Visitor Requirements:</u></p> <p><i>Please bring your own mask/face covering</i></p> <p><i>Masks may be available for purchase for \$1. Please bring exact change as we will not be able to change bills.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Adhere to screening protocols ● Wear face mask/covering during entire visit ● Perform hand hygiene before and after each visit. Maintain social distance from resident. Do NOT have any physical contact with resident. ● Stay in designated visitation area ● Sign in and provide contact information ● Sign out upon departure

<p><u>Staffing:</u></p>	<p>Staff and volunteers will coordinate to assist with visitation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Screening visitors • Transporting residents to/from visit • Monitoring visits • Disinfecting area after visit
<p><u>Social Distancing:</u> <i>If protocol is breached at any time during the visit, the visit will be ended immediately. The resident may need to be quarantined for 14 days post visit if this occurs.</i></p>	<p>Visitation areas will be designed or marked to maintain 6 feet distance between the resident and visitors.</p> <p>Protocol MUST be followed: maintain social distance, hand hygiene and masking. Visitors and residents CANNOT touch, hug or kiss each other.</p>
<p><u>Resident Assessment:</u></p>	<p>Qualified staff will assess each resident's ability to accept visitors based on the resident's health screening, medical status, vulnerability to possible exposure, ability to tolerate conditions in visitation area (location, weather, stimuli, etc.). The safety of route to and from the visitation area will also be considered. In-person visitation will not be permitted for residents with potential exposure. In this case, virtual visits can be arranged.</p>

NOTES:

- Both facilities have established and will maintain the following:
 - Resident health screening at least once per day or up to once per shift;
 - Quarantine of residents
 - Newly admitted, returned from hospital or from another facility;
 - Admitted from home environment
 - With positive COVID-19 symptom screen;
 - If potentially exposed to COVID-19 until at least 14 days after exposure.
 - Adequate supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) for staff;
 - Staffing levels consistent with our standards, which exceed requirements set by our licensing agencies;
 - Ability to re-initiate restrictions related to COVID-19 pandemic if recommended or required;
 - Staff screening as required (if screening outside of acceptable thresholds, employee not permitted to work until cleared by Infection Control Preventionist).

- Communal dining continues in Step 3 for residents unexposed to COVID-19 as long as we can maintain social distancing requirements.

- Activities (maintaining social distancing, hand hygiene, and masking requirements):
Step 3 – We may offer group activities with no limit identified for number of participants as long as adequate social distancing is maintained.
 - Mass in Chapel will be available on assigned days to ensure no crossover of PC and Nursing Home residents.
 - Outings for scenic rides may be planned.

- Beauty Salon services continue in Step 3 (maintaining social distancing, hand hygiene, and masking requirements). We continue to limit the number of residents able to receive services at one time to ensure social distancing, follow sanitary guidelines, and schedule appointments for residents by unit/location. By the end of week two of our reopening, all residents have had a cut and style.

- Visitation in a resident's room can occur in Step 3 ONLY if the resident is unable to be transported to the designated visitation area. This would most likely occur only in the event of compassion visits and would need to be given special consideration for approval.

- Volunteers may return to assist with activities inside the building. Volunteers will be screened and assignments determined so as to ensure the safety of residents, volunteers, and staff.

May God Continue to Bless and Protect Us All,

Sr. Joackim Anne, O. Carm.