

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

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, and criteria and
- Reopening “steps”.

Garvey Manor (hereinafter referred to as NH) and Our Lady of the Alleghenies Residence (hereinafter referred to as PC) are pleased to announce that we plan to initiate our reopening plan on **August 6, 2020**.

As of the above date, we have met the prerequisites listed below:

- ✓ Developed a Reopening Plan
- ✓ Conducted baseline universal testing of all residents and staff
- ✓ Assessed our ability to administer COVID-19 diagnostic tests to residents showing symptoms within 24 hours
- ✓ Assessed our ability to administer COVID-19 diagnostic tests to all residents and staff if the facility experiences an outbreak
- ✓ Assessed our ability to administer COVID-19 diagnostic tests to all staff, including asymptomatic staff
- ✓ Established a procedure to test non-essential staff (volunteers will not be used if testing is required)
- ✓ Established a procedure for addressing residents or staff that decline or are unable to be tested
- ✓ Established a plan to cohort residents diagnosed with COVID-19
- ✓ Established a screening protocol for all staff during each shift, each resident on a daily basis and all persons (essential and non-essential staff, volunteers, visitors) entering the facility or facility grounds
- ✓ Established a plan to ensure adequate staffing
- ✓ Established a plan for communal dining and activities
- ✓ Established a plan to allow visitation to begin
- ✓ Established a plan to halt all re-opening plans if Blair County reverts back to the red phase of the Commonwealth’s re-opening plan.

DOH and DHS guidance require a facility to meet certain requirements before entering Step 1 or Step 2 for initial reopening.

Step 1: The facility must meet all prerequisites.

Step 2: The facility must meet all prerequisites *AND* have the absence of any new facility onset of COVID-19 cases (resident or staff) for 14 consecutive days since baseline COVID-19 testing.

From the date we enter one step, we can proceed to the next step **only if there is no new facility onset of COVID-19 cases for 14 consecutive days.**

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 baseline testing, **we are proceeding to Step 2** of the re-opening guidelines. **Visitors MUST 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.**

Visitation requirements in Steps 2 and 3 include:

Item of Interest	Details
<p><u>Schedule of Visitation Hours – Personal Care:</u></p> <p>10:30-11:00 am 1:30-2:00 pm 2:30-3:00 pm 3:30-4:00 pm 6:30-7:00 pm</p> <p><u>Schedule of Visitation Hours – Nursing Home:</u></p> <p>10:00-10:30 am 11:00-11:30 am 2:00-2:30 pm 3:00-3:30 pm 4:00-4:30 pm 7:00-7:30 pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two PC residents and three 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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Area where double benches are in front of entrance sidewalk B. Gazebo C. Window to left of OLAR entrance <p><i>Outdoor (preferred) – Nursing Home:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sidewalk area by white fence 2. Patio of front porch 3. Front porch left of main entrance 4. Front porch right of main entrance 	<p><i>Indoor - Personal Care:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. OLAR lobby B. OLAR Great Room C. OLAR parlor (opposite mailboxes) <p><i>Indoor – Nursing Home:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lobby by windows 2. Rear of Chapel 3. Admission Parlor 4. Café (during closed hours) or lobby by café <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 ● 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></p> <p><i>If protocol is breached at any time during the visit, the visit will be ended immediately. The resident will 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 at beginning and end of their shift (if screening outside of acceptable thresholds, employee not permitted to work until cleared by Infection Control Preventionist).
- Communal dining may be permitted in Steps 1 through 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 1 – We may offer group activities for 5 or fewer residents.
 - Step 2 – We may offer group activities for 10 or fewer residents.
 - Mass in Chapel will be available on assigned days to ensure no crossover of PC and Nursing Home residents.
 - Step 3 – We may offer group activities. No limit identified for number of participants.
 - 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 can be scheduled in Step 2 (maintaining social distancing, hand hygiene, and masking requirements). A plan has been developed to reopen the salon and addresses:
 - The number of residents able to receive services at one time to ensure social distancing;
 - Disinfecting of chairs and other surfaces;
 - Clean cape for each resident;
 - Appointments will be scheduled to avoid crossover;
 - Volunteers can assist in the salon only in Step 3.
- Visitation in a resident's room cannot occur until Step 3 and 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.
 - Crossover visitation between residents residing in personal care and skilled nursing facilities) may occur in Step 3, but only when both facilities have achieved Step 3. If there is any conflict of step, window/virtual visitation will be provided.

May God Bless and Protect Us All,

Sister Joachim Anne