

Garvey Manor and Our Lady of the Alleghenies Residence
IN-PERSON VISITATION GUIDELINES
September 1, 2020

Since we began our in-person visits on August 10, 2020, we have welcomed back many families, friends, and volunteers, which has been a blessing to all! We thank you for your patience as we learned what works and how we can meet the needs of ALL residents.

We remain “green” and able to continue our visits. We meet regularly to evaluate our procedures and abilities. This communication is meant to further share the guidelines we must follow. All that we do is intended to keep our residents, employees, and guests safe.

A question that is often raised is “what’s next in the re-opening phase?” The answer is simply, ***THIS IS IT***. The directives we have been given by the PA Department of Health reference Steps 1 through 3. We currently are in Step 3 and have no further guidance from the state or federal agencies for any additional arrangements.

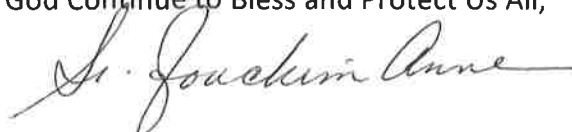
Some families have requested more virtual visits. Our staff is working tirelessly to accommodate in-person visits, virtual visits, activities, and care for ALL of our residents. If you would like more immediate access to your loved one, a device (such as an iPad) for them to connect with you virtually at their and your convenience would be a good option to consider, if they are able to use such a device independently.

Any confirmed cases of COVID-19 among our residents or employees will bring our in-person visits to a halt and we will have to start the re-opening process all over. In addition, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has issued a new directive that requires us to do universal employee testing based on the positivity rate of our county. We plan to begin testing the week of September 7th. If any employees test positive, we will then have to test residents as well. Even if individuals with positive test results are asymptomatic, we will be required to cease visitation.

We ask for your continued prayers, not only for Garvey Manor, but for those other facilities in our area who are experiencing resident and employee cases. We have been blessed to be able to “open” but many of our local peers have not. These outbreaks are a concern for us in our re-opening status and prove that this virus is relentless and unpredictable and that we rely on our employees and visitors to be vigilant in their actions in the community to remain COVID-19 free.

Our visitation guidance grid can be found below. Please review and note specifically the updated information in bold italics. 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.

May God Continue to Bless and Protect Us All,



Item of Interest	Details
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Schedule of Visitation Hours – Our Lady of the Alleghenies (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 style="text-align: center;"><u>Schedule of Visitation Hours – Garvey Manor (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"> • 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. • <i>No sharing of items such as cell phones between the resident and visitors.</i> • <i>Please do not take any pictures during the visit if another resident/visitor is in the background.</i> • <i>Holiday schedules are the same as weekends, staffing permitting.</i>
<p><u>Visitation Spaces:</u></p> <p>Outdoor (preferred) – Personal Care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gazebo • Tent by window to left of OLAR entrance <p>Outdoor (preferred) – Nursing Home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tent on patio of front porch • Front porch near Chapel exit door • Front porch left of main entrance • Front porch right of main entrance 	<p>Indoor - Personal Care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OLAR lobby • OLAR Great Room • OLAR parlor (opposite mailboxes) <p>Indoor – Nursing Home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lobby by windows • Lobby by bird aviary/café • Rotunda outside of Chapel • Café (during closed hours) or hallway 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>Please bring your own pen if possible. This will conserve our disinfectant. If you develop symptoms, you will need to reschedule your visit.</p>	<p>Consists of temperature screen and questions to determine possible exposure/symptoms. Visitors who do not pass screening or 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>Please bring your own mask/face covering</p> <p>Masks may be available for purchase for \$1. Please bring exact change as we will not be able to change bills.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Adhere to screening protocols ● Wear face mask/covering during entire visit ● Visitors must be seated before the resident can be brought to visitation area and must remain seated until the resident leaves the area when the visit is over ● 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>Social Distancing:</u></p> <p>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.</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>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>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. Neither in-person nor virtual visitation will be permitted for residents with potential exposure. We cannot conduct such visits for residents in quarantine. If the resident has their own device that they can use independently, they could do virtual visits in quarantine on their own.</p>