

### Compassionate Care Visitation Guideline – COVID-19

Recognizing the need to support the social-emotional needs of those we serve through the COVID-19 pandemic, Bethany Home Association of Lindsborg, KS will implement a Compassionate Care Visitation policy as follows:

- When county COVID-19 positivity rates are below 5% as identified on the KDHE Nursing Home Metrics website AND there are no active cases of COVID-19 in our building Compassionate Care Visits will be scheduled.
- Residents will be screened for social-emotional needs and declines relating to loss of family contact due to the regulatory restrictions currently in place.
- All visits will be scheduled to accommodate screening and entry protocols.
- Visits will occur only in private resident rooms, visitors will avoid unnecessary contact in common use areas.
- Only two visitors will be allowed at each visit in order to adhere to 6' social distancing requirements.
- Visitors must wear masks for the duration of the visit, residents will be encouraged to wear masks for visits.
- Staff may escort visitors to the resident's room and to the appropriate exit door once a visit is complete.

#### Screening & Visitation:

- All Compassionate Care Visits must be scheduled.
- Staff will greet visitors and complete a screening for COVID-19 symptoms, walk the visitor through the screening process, receive a copy of vaccination cards, and may conduct COVID-19 testing.
- Visitors must wear masks upon arrival and for the duration of the visit.
- Visitors under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and must adhere to all requirements.
- Visitors will agree to perform hand hygiene upon arrival and as necessary during the visit.
- Visitors will agree to practice 6' social distancing for the duration of the visit.
- Visitors will agree to remain within the visited resident's room for the duration of the visit.
- Visitors will be required to acknowledge receipt of these precautions and agree to abide by all precautions.
- Visitors who do not meet entry criteria, refuse to submit to or fail to meet screening and/or testing criteria, or who do not abide by agreed upon safety measures will not be granted access to the building.
- Visitors who develop any respiratory symptoms within 14 days after visiting are obligated to notify Bethany Home Nursing Administration immediately.

#### Considerations:

- Compassionate Care visits will only occur when community prevalence of COVID-19 is below 5% as indicated by KHDE and Bethany Home Association will adhere to and abide by all regulations and requirements set forth by KDHE, KDADS, CMS, and CDC.
- Compassionate Care Visits will end or be limited if there is an outbreak of COVID 19 within a building.
- "End of Life Visits" will follow a separate practice, may be permitted when Compassionate Care Visits are not, and should not be confused with Compassionate Care visitation guidelines.
- Bethany+Village recognizes the risk presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, and the risks of social isolation in our resident population. Bethany+Village will prioritize the needs of those we serve while adhering to regulatory guidance.