

Long Island State Veterans Home Visitation Guidelines

When visiting, please adhere to the following guidance:

- If you do not feel well, do not visit.
- All visitors under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Visitors must wear masks at all times while in the facility. If you do not have a mask, we will provide you with the appropriate personal protective equipment for your visit.
- All visitors are required to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test result upon arrival. A rapid antigen test taken within 24-hours or a PCR test taken within 48-hours will be accepted. For visitors that visit multiple days, proof of testing is required as often as feasible, at a minimum every third day.
- The facility will provide any visitor with a Home COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Test if he/she does not have other proof of a negative test conducted in the required timeframe. The visitor will conduct a self-test and report the results to the screening desk.
- All visitors will be screened upon entrance. Your temperature will be taken and you will be asked questions regarding your current state of health and recent contact with a COVID-19 positive person.
- Visitors who have symptoms consistent with COVID-19, a temperature of 100.4 degrees or greater, have a current positive COVID-19 test or currently meet the criteria for quarantine will not be granted entrance.
- After screening, all visitors should report directly to the resident room / designated visiting location, and remain in that location for the duration of the visit.
- If a resident's roommate is deemed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to be in a category that prevents in-room visitation, a designated space will be provided.
 - Outdoor visitation is preferred and encouraged.
 - Facility staff will offer alternative indoor visiting space on the unit, dining room, conference room, or family room, if possible.
 - For situations where both residents cannot vacate the room, visitation will be allowed following core principles of infection prevention.

- Visitation on a COVID-19 Exposure Precautions Unit is allowed, but highly discouraged until the end of the exposure precaution period. [Please refer to the guidelines on visitation on COVID Exposed Units.](#)
- Due to social distancing requirements (physical distancing of at least six feet), no more than two visitors per resident are allowed for an in-room visit.
- If a resident or a visitor requests additional individuals to be present, facility staff will offer alternative visiting space, if available, to accommodate their request.
- All visitors should physically distance (maintain separation of at least six feet) from other residents and staff of the facility at all times.
- More than two visitors are permitted during an outdoor visit as long as social/physical distancing requirements can be maintained.
- No more than four individuals are permitted in an elevator at any given time.
- Hand hygiene is required prior to and after each visit. Please perform hand hygiene using the alcohol-based hand sanitizer located throughout the facility.
- All visitors are encouraged to be vaccinated for COVID-19.
- Consumption of food items should not occur during any in-room visit.
- **The Garden Grill Café and all indoor therapeutic recreation activities are closed to visitors at this time.**
- No pets are allowed at this time.
- Visitors may use the restroom in the lobby only.

Visitation is contingent on compliance with these guidelines.

Visitors who are unable to adhere to the core principles of COVID-19 infection prevention will not be permitted to visit and will be asked to leave.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.