

## NYS Forward Safety Plan

### Visitation

1. Chenango County is in phase **4**
2. The facility is in compliance with state and federal reporting requirements and federal guidelines. The facility has no staffing shortages and has adequate access to testing.

3. Visitation Plan:

The facility will utilize 3 outdoor spaces for visitation in the back-courtyard area.

- The gazebo: 4 people
- The West end of the back patio: 3 people
- Tent in East back courtyard: 3 people

The facility will utilize the dining room for indoor visitation in the event of inclement weather.

- Two visitation areas in the dining room can accommodate 2 visitors and one resident.
  - Visitation **will** be limited to outdoor areas, weather permitting. Under certain limited circumstances, as defined by the facility, visitation **will** be inside, in a well-ventilated space with no more than 10 individuals who are appropriately socially distanced and wearing a facemask or face covering while in the presence of others. This may include residents visiting each other.
  - Visitors will access the area through an outdoor gate to prevent entering the facility.
  - Both the resident and visitor will always wear a face mask, socially distance, and be separated by a Plexiglas barrier at their assigned visiting location.
  - The facility will provide alcohol-based hand rub to residents, visitors, and representatives of the long-term care ombudsman visiting residents and those individuals are able to demonstrate appropriate use.
  - A staff member will be assigned to each visiting area to ensure that social distancing and visitation policies are adhered to throughout the visit.
  - Visitors will be screened prior to visitation by a designated screener by having **their** temperature taken and being screened for any signs and symptoms of COVID19 as well as asking questions including but not limited to international travel or travel to another state designated under the commissioner's travel advisory. The facility will maintain screening questions asked and screening log onsite.
  - Limited visitation, including, but not limited to, family members, loved ones, representatives from the long-term care ombudsman program, and resident advocacy organizations, will be permitted under the following conditions:
    - a. Adequate staff are present to allow for personnel help with the transportation of residents, monitoring of visitation, and disinfecting areas used for visitation.
    - b. The facility will maintain signage regarding facemask utilization and hand hygiene and use applicable floor markings to cue social distancing in all visitation areas.
    - c. The screening log will include the following documentation:
      - a. First and last name of visitor
      - b. Physical street address of visitor
      - c. Daytime and evening telephone number

- d. Date and time of visit
  - e. Email address, if available
  - f. Notation indicating the individual cleared the screening
  - g. No more than 10% of the resident census shall have visitors at any one time and only two visitors will be allowed per resident at any one time. The nursing home will post visitation policies as well as short, easy to read visitation fact sheets at the screening station and the visiting stations for visitor review.
  - h. Visitors under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older.
- I. Residents with COVID19 symptoms, COVID positive residents, and residents in a 14-day quarantine or observation period are not eligible for visits.

Visitation is strictly prohibited in resident rooms or care areas except for end of life visitation and bedbound individuals. In those instances, all other requirements listed in this directive apply.

- g. Specialty practitioner, podiatric, and dental services may continue. Strict adherence to facility infection control guidelines is required.
- h. Limited visitation, including, but not limited to, family members, loved ones, representatives from the long-term care ombudsman program, and resident advocacy organizations, will be permitted under the following conditions:
- i. Adequate staff are present to allow for personnel help with the transition of residents, monitoring of visitation, and disinfecting areas used for visitation.

### Salon Services

The following guidelines include minimum requirements and are based on current best-known public health practices. Chase Memorial Nursing Home will stay current with any updates to these requirements and incorporate any hair salon operation in their Safety Plan.

### **Testing and Screening**

Beauticians and Barbers providing salon services at Chase Memorial Nursing Home are subject to all the requirements below:

- Testing (or arranging for the test of) beauticians and barbers on each day they provide services within the facility.
- Evidence of a negative test within the last day (24 hours) must be presented prior initiating services.
- Screening by facility staff for signs and symptoms of COVID-19, including a temperature check
- Washing of hands when entering the building, prior to initiating services, and between residents.

### **Sanitizing and Personal Protective Equipment**

To ensure the safety of those providing and receiving salon services, Chase Memorial Nursing Home will adhere to and / or make available, the following:

- Hand sanitizer upon entry to the salon, both the beautician / barber and resident must sanitize and /or wash their hands upon entry into the salon and immediately following the appointment
- Screening of residents for signs and symptoms of COVID-19, including a temperature check immediately prior to their appointment
- Removal of all non-essential items from the salon, i.e. magazines etc. No sharing of items
- Beautician/ barber and residents must wear a face mask or face covering for the duration of the appointment
- Gloves should be used one-time only, regardless if they are disposable or washable
- Capes and aprons should be used one time only, regardless if they are disposable or washable
- Adequate time must be built in between appointments to allow for full disinfection between customers of the equipment, workstation, chair, tools, etc. and,
- A full disinfection of the salon will be completed and documented at the end of each day and prior to the initiation of any salon services scheduled for the following day.

### **Physical Distancing and Signage**

Chase Memorial Nursing Home will continue to promote social distancing and will implement the following:

- Designate staff to assist in transporting residents to and from schedule salon appointments
- Allow only one resident in the salon at a time
- No waiting area shall be established outside of the salon
- Keep doors to the salon closed while providing services and.
- Post signage outside of the salon to remind others to adhere to proper hygiene, social distancing rule, appropriate use of PPE, and cleaning and disinfecting protocols

### **Communication and Agreement**

Chase Memorial Nursing Home prior to the resumption of salon services within the facility, the beautician and/ or barber will agree to adhere to the following:

- Affirm their review and understanding of the State-issued industry guidelines and agree to implement guideline as directed:
- Maintenance of a continuous log which includes residents served and the residents' temperature at the time of service: and
- Submission of salon service receipts to a designated staff for sign off.

### **Compliance and Evaluation**

To ensure compliance and that resident safety remains paramount Chase Memorial Nursing Home will:

- Monitor beautician/barber services to ensure compliance with testing and documentation requirements: and,
- Conduct audits of documentation and will notify beautician/barber of any areas of noncompliance