



Guidance and Policy Document for Home Visits For Family Members

We are pleased to be able to offer family visits offsite based on new guidance from OPWDD. Individuals may resume participation in home and family visits with all appropriate risk mitigation strategies in place. These include safe social distancing, use of masks or other face coverings when tolerated, meticulous attention to handwashing and proper cleaning and disinfection.

During the off-site visit, exposure to different family members and in public places should be done with caution and limited as much as possible. Good hygiene and safe social distancing should be maintained whenever possible. Consistent with Executive Order 202.17 masks must be worn in public whenever social distancing cannot be maintained, to the extent they can be medically or otherwise tolerated.

The following circumstances must be met for individuals to participate in home or family visits:

1. The individual is not suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19, and is not under any quarantine or isolation requirements;
2. The individual passes a health screen and temperature check immediately prior to leaving the certified residence.
3. The individual washes their hands immediately prior to departure from and return to the residence;
4. The locations of the visit does not include: (a) any household member suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19; (b) any household member who has been exposed to COVID-19 in the prior 14 days; or (c) any household member displays any symptoms of COVID-19 in the preceding 14 days; and any household member who has traveled to one of the States that require a 14 day quarantine period AND
5. Families should ensure that individuals are washing and/or sanitizing hands throughout the day, implementing social distancing whenever possible, and wearing a face mask covering whenever social distancing cannot be maintained in public. (Staff will be discussing this with families and if necessary providing masks if indicated).
6. The residence will bring the resident to the family home and pick up when ready to reduce the opportunity for exposure when able to do so based on staffing. If we are unable to transport, families will be responsible for pick-up and bringing back their family member.

When visiting your home the following will be completed by staff when the individual returns:

1. They will be maintaining a log of the person who participated in the home visit, including the address of the home visit, the dates and times of the start of the visit and when it ended;
2. Confirmation that the person picking up or receiving the individual denied that anyone in the household was currently under isolation or quarantine for COVID-19 including as a result of visits from one of the identified states that require quarantine;
3. Confirmation that the person picking up or receiving the individual denied that anyone in the household had known exposure to COVID-19 in the prior 14 days;
4. Confirmation that the person picking up or receiving the individual for a home visit denied that anyone has exhibited any of the following symptoms during the last 14 days:
 - Cough;
 - Fever of 100 degrees F or greater;
 - Sore Throat;
 - Shortness of breath;
 - Headache;
 - Chills;
 - Muscle Pain; and/or
 - New loss of taste of smell
 - Confirmation that the individual participating in the visit passed their health screen immediately prior to participating in the visit;
 - Addresses of any and all places the individual spent time during the home visit, including the names of other people spending time in close contact (within 6 feet) or proximate contact;
AND
 - Confirmation that the individual passed their health screen upon their return from a home visit.

By reviewing the above you attest you understand and will comply with the information being requested and the recommendations provided for the home visit.

Name

Date