



September 22, 2021 – Visitation Update

Good afternoon from Midway Nursing Home

This is an important COVID-19 visitation update. Visitation is no longer on pause for 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. We followed our protocols for potential exposure and have not found any resident or staff positive cases after two rounds of testing.

Currently, visitation to fully vaccinated residents is from 1:15 PM to 7 PM, Sunday through Friday with no appointment needed. A resident is considered fully vaccinated 2 weeks after they have received the second dose of the two dose series of Pfizer or Moderna or 2 weeks after a single dose of Janssen vaccine.

**For visits to residents who are not vaccinated or fully vaccinated, an appointment is required.** COVID tests are offered at each visit, we highly recommend you to take the test whether you are vaccinated or not.

If you or your loved one is not yet vaccinated, we urge you reconsider and get vaccinated. The current transmission rate of COVID-19 remains HIGH (over 10%) in Queens County. Nursing home residents are among the most vulnerable of the population. Vaccination is the single best defense against contracting COVID-19 or serious illness, hospitalization, and death, if contracted.

We must use everything in our arsenal to put this virus behind us. The more people that are vaccinated, the less chance we give this virus to adapt into other more transmissible and deadly strains.

We ask everyone who travels out of the tristate area or out of the country to consider curtailing visitation until at least 14 days after your return to limit exposure to your loved one and the other residents.

**Visitors must always wear a facemask which covers both the nose and mouth while on facility premises. Visitors who don't adhere to this or are unable to comply will not be allowed to visit. There are **NO exceptions to the facemask requirement.**** Please maintain social distance at all times from staff, other visitors and residents.

Virtual/Facetime visits are available daily. We encourage you to call Recreation or Social Work to schedule a Virtual/Facetime visit with your loved one.

We look forward to seeing you soon!