
DDSD OUTDOOR FAMILY AND GUARDIAN VISITATION Requirements for DD Waiver Supported Living and Intensive Medical Living homes effective August 1st, 2020

Remind Visitors to Stay Home if they are sick:

- Remind visitors to stay home if they have been exposed to COVID-19 in the last fourteen (14) days or are showing COVID-19 [symptoms](#). Anyone who has had [close contact](#) with a person who has COVID-19 should also stay home and monitor their health. Visitors who live with those at higher risk should also consider the potential risk to their loved ones.

Scheduling Visitation:

- All social visits must be scheduled at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance. This requirement does not apply to emergency situations or in response to complaints of abuse, neglect or exploitation.
- Each provider agency must establish a point of contact, who has authority to schedule visitation, e.g. Service Coordinator, House Supervisor, etc.
- Each provider agency must have a standard visitation policy to include place of visits, length of visits, etc.
- The provider agency sets the appropriate hours during which visitation may occur, based upon the number of individuals receiving services in the home, staff available during the time of the proposed visit, and ability to implement appropriate disinfection between visits.
- Visitors may not enter the home for any reason.
- At the visit, the provider agency shall provide screening requirements for the visitor(s), including symptom and temperature check. Screening requirements of visitors must include the following:
 - Ask the visitor(s) if they have traveled out of state within the last fourteen (14) days.
 - If the answer is “Yes” the visit will not proceed.
 - Ask the visitor(s) if they have a fever (above 100.4) by taking their temperature using a temporal thermometer.
 - Ask the visitor(s) “Have you felt like you had a fever in the past day?”
 - Ask the visitor(s) “Do you have a new or worsening cough today?”

- Ask the visitor(s), “Do you have any of these other symptoms?”
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
- If the answer is “Yes” to any of these questions, the visit will not proceed.
- If the answer is “No” to each of these questions, the visit may proceed.

Social Distancing Enforcement:

- Visits shall adhere to the mass gathering requirements of the current Public Health Order.
- Visits must occur outdoors.
- Tables and/or chairs must be arranged to allow for social distancing.
- When visitors arrive, minimize gestures that promote close contact. For example, don’t shake hands or give hugs, do elbow bumps or wave and verbally greet them.

Must Wear Face Mask/Coverings:

- Visitors must wear face mask/coverings/[cloth face coverings](#) throughout the entirety of the visit.
- If the visitor is not wearing a face mask/coverings when they arrive the visit cannot occur.
- Any visitor refusing to wear a mask will be reported to the Department of Health COVID compliance unit.

Clean Hands Often:

- Provide hand sanitizer in the location of the visit.
- Visitors must hand sanitize upon arrival.
- If visitors and the individual are having a meal (outdoors), remind visitors to sanitize their hands before eating food.

Limit Contact with Commonly Touched Surfaces or Shared items:

- Use touchless garbage cans or pails.
- Use gloves when removing garbage bags or handling and disposing of trash. [Wash hands](#) after removing gloves.

- [Clean and disinfect](#) commonly touched surfaces between use; wash, clean, and sanitize them after each visit.