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SECTION 6. Infection Control	POLICY 6.42 COVID-19 Indoor Visitation Phase 4	EFFECTIVE DATE: 03/29/2021
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POLICY: Heritage of Edina is committed to following the current regulatory guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) pertaining the visitation guidance during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Indoor visits will not be permitted under the following circumstances:

- There has been a new facility (resident or staff) COVID-19 case in the last 14 days (defined as an “outbreak”)
- When the Hennepin County COVID-19 positivity rate is >10% AND <70% of Heritage of Edina residents have been vaccinated. Under these circumstances unvaccinated residents cannot have visitors*
- Residents with confirmed COVID-19 infection, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated cannot have visitors* until the resident has met the criteria to discontinue Transmission-Based Precautions
- Residents in quarantine, where vaccinated or unvaccinated cannot have visitors* until the resident has met the criteria for release from quarantine
- If a facility outbreak is limited to a unit in the facility, as determined by outbreak testing, residents in the unit cannot have visitors* until the facility meets the criteria to discontinue outbreak testing
- If a facility has an outbreak on more than one unit, as determined by outbreak testing, then no visitation will be permitted in the facility until the facility meets the criteria to discontinue outbreak testing

*Compassionate care visits and essential caregiver visits must be facilitated at all times with all residents with appropriate PPE utilized

General Visitation Policies:

- All visits must be scheduled
- All visitors must be screened upon entrance to the building and before a visit
- Heritage of Edina reserves the right to limit the number of visitors in the building at any one time
- Heritage of Edina reserves the right to limit the length of visits
- At this time each resident may be allowed 2 visitors at a time
- At this time all visits will be scheduled for 1 hour

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- Once visitor is screened and hand sanitizer is used, indoor visitors should go directly to the resident's apartment and limit movement in the facility. Visiting other residents or staff is prohibited
- Visitors are expected to wear a well-fitting mask at all times
- If the resident be visited is fully vaccinated, the resident can choose to have close contact (including touch) with their visitor(s) while wearing a well-fitting mask and performing hand hygiene before and after
- Any potential visitor who does not pass the entrance screening will be prohibited from entering the building or visiting with a resident.

Heritage of Edina reserves the right to remove and prohibit visitors if they are unable to follow visitation guidelines, including proper wearing of personal protective equipment.

This policy will be amended when CDC, MDH and CMS guidance is updated.