

Visiting Loved Ones at Hiram W. Davis Medical Center



Both CMS and CDC recognize the importance of visiting your relatives as part of staying healthy. You can now visit your loved ones at all times.

While visitation does not need to be pre-scheduled and there are no time limitations on your visits, we still must follow the Core Principles of COVID-19.

These include:

- ⇒ Face covering or mask
- ⇒ Physical distancing at least 6 feet apart
- ⇒ Screening before entering any resident care area
- ⇒ Hand hygiene upon entering and exiting the facility

The CMS strongly encourages all visitors to become vaccinated.

If any of the below conditions apply — visitation will be restricted:

- a. Symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath)
- b. Fever of 100.0 degrees or higher or feeling feverish
- c. Close contact with someone with COVID-19 in the past 14 days
- d. Undergoing evaluation of COVID-19, test results pending
- e. Diagnosis of COVID-19 in the past 10 days

In the case of an Outbreak at a facility, indoor visitation can no longer be restricted. While it is safer for visitors not to enter the facility during an outbreak investigation, visitors must still be allowed in the facility. Visitors should be made aware of the potential risk of visiting during an outbreak investigation and adhere to the core principles of infection prevention. If residents or their representatives would like to have a visit during an outbreak investigation, they should wear face coverings or masks during visits,

regardless of vaccination status, and visits should ideally occur in the resident's room.

Outdoor visits are also safer when the weather is good. You can check with your nursing home or local health department to find out more information on visiting your loved one. More information on CMS visitation guidance can be found [here](#), including compassionate care visits and visitor vaccination.

Some nursing home residents and staff are not vaccinated or not considered “Up-To-Date”. **Hiram W. Davis Medical Center must continue to implement all current [CDC Infection Control Guidance](#) and adhere to CMS regulations and guidance to offer protection against Covid-19.**

Nursing home staff, patients, residents, and visitors need to **continue practicing the 3 W's: Wear a mask, Wash your hands, and Watch your distance.**

Also, get the vaccine when it's available to you. And do what you can to slow the spread of COVID-19. This is an important step towards protecting their health, achieving herd immunity, and returning to normal life.

For More Information on CMS Nursing Home, guidelines click here: [CMS Nursing Home FAQs](#)

Get your Covid-19 Vaccine

COVID-19 vaccines are [safe and effective](#).

Everyone 5 years and older is now eligible to [get a free COVID-19 vaccination](#).

Learn about the [different vaccines available](#).

Search [vaccines.gov](#), text your zip code to 438829 or call 1-800-232-0233 to find COVID-19 vaccine locations near you.