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Following CDC and NYS Department of Health recommendations to protect our vulnerable patient population as well as our vital caregivers, the following visitor restrictions are being enforced:

Visiting hours are restricted to **8:00 am - 8:00 pm.**

All visitors must be screened each time they enter the building.

There is a limit of **one (1) visitor per patient** * which will be identified at the time of admission. The visitor must remain in the patient room or the outside patio (no congregating in the living room, kitchen or library). **UH will provide the visitor with a surgical mask which must always be worn.**

With the nice weather arriving, we will permit small groups of visitors outside on the patio for those patients who can be safely moved outside. There should be no more than **three visitors at a time**, and they must wear their own face masks and practice social distancing. **Visiting hours will still end at 8:00 pm for all visitors.** The outdoor visitors should walk around to the patio and should NOT enter the residence to go through to the patio. Therefore, the outdoor visitors do not need to be screened. Visitors who do not abide by the rules will be asked to comply or they will have to leave the premises.

*** Internal visiting policy remains the same inside from 8:00 am – 8:00 pm only. An additional visitor will now be permitted inside a patient's room from 5 pm – 8 pm but only one visitor is permitted at a time in the room.**

Only one family member/friend may remain overnight in patient's room.

If needed, these restrictions can be adjusted on a case-by-case basis by the senior staff member on-site for extenuating circumstances.