



<b>Policy Subject</b>	Assisted Living Visitation Policy		
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**Scope (Responsible Partners)**

Executive Directors and Assisted Living Administrators are responsible for ensuring widest dissemination of the content of this policy and shall ensure all procedures are operationalized as described herein.

**Objective**

The objective of this policy is to address the guidelines set forth by Florida’s Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) regarding indoor in-person visitation with residents of Moorings Park assisted living facilities.

**Policy**

The resident has a right to receive visitors of his or her choosing at the time of their choosing, subject to the resident’s right to deny visitation when applicable, and in a manner that does not impose on the rights of another resident. Nothing in this policy is intended to limit the resident’s rights for consensual visitation under any circumstances.

1. Assisted Living Facilities will provide access to a resident’s family, relatives, friends, or other guests of the resident, subject to the resident’s right to deny or withdraw consent at any time.
2. Assisted Living Facilities will not limit the time, location, or number of visitors that a resident may have unless the visitation is imposing on another residents’ rights.
3. Information regarding to the facilities infection control procedures, education on proper hygiene, personal protective equipment and relation policies will be displayed throughout the facility.
4. Staff adherence to the visitation policy falls under the direction of the facility Administrator and Director of Nursing.

5. Visitors will not be asked to provide proof of vaccination or immunization status as a condition for or prior to visitation.
6. The allowance of consensual physical contact between a resident and a visitor is to be made by the resident.
7. No visitor will be required to wear a facial covering unless required by a healthcare provider and the visitor is:
  - a. Exhibiting signs or symptoms of or has a diagnosed infectious disease that can be spread through droplet or airborne transmission.
  - b. In a sterile area of the health care setting or an area where sterile procedures are being performed.
  - c. Is in an in-patient or clinical room with a patient who is exhibiting signs or symptoms of or has a diagnosed infectious disease that can be spread through droplet or airborne transmission.
  - d. Is visiting a resident, whose healthcare provider has diagnosed the resident with or confirmed a condition affecting the immune system. The condition is known to increase the risk of transmission of an infection from employees without signs and symptoms of infection to a resident. The resident's healthcare practitioner has determined that the use of facial covering is necessary for the resident's safety.