

September 28, 2022

Family members, guardians, and/or loved ones:

As the Covid-19 pandemic continues to evolve, inclusive of new variants, treatments, and most recently, the introduction of the bivalent Covid-19 boosters, we find it appropriate to update our visit protocols. Given the recent introduction of the new bivalent Covid-19 vaccines, and limited data, visits and guidance **will not be based** on vaccination status at this time. However, as more vaccines are administered and data is available, these guidelines may be updated accordingly in the future. It should be noted that Trinity strongly recommends and encourages everyone to obtain the new bivalent Covid-19 booster.

**Visits at Trinity:**

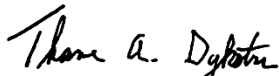
- We are asking that all visits continue to be pre-arranged/pre-planned with the applicable Network's leadership staff to ensure proper safeguards (i.e. physical distancing, quarantine, health status, etc...).
- A visitor screening will be completed while discussing arrangements and upon arrival, inclusive of current and recent health status, as well as travel in order to maintain a safe living environment for those we support.
- We are continuing to ask that no more than two guests visit at a time to ensure space and distancing
- While visiting, masking and physical distancing continue to be required for all
- Visits may occur in your loved one's home; in a private closed-door area/location (i.e. own room). If such a location is not available, the Network Director will work with you to find an appropriate location for the on-site visit.
- Airflow will be maximized while visits are occurring. This may involve opening windows or other air circulation measures.

**Visits in the family/guardian's home:**

- We are asking that all visits continue to be pre-arranged/pre-planned with the applicable Network's leadership staff to ensure proper safeguards (i.e. quarantine/exposure at Trinity, current or recent positive cases among family members in the family/guardian's home)
- We are asking that families continue to avoid large gatherings, continue to wear masks-avoiding public places if someone is unable, or declines to wear a mask.
- If inadvertent exposure to Covid-19 occurs, we ask that you notify the appropriate Network Director or Network leadership staff immediately for guidance.
- There is no designated requirement for length of visits.
- There is no return testing requirement unless exposure occurred. Once notified, guidance will be provided by Trinity.
- Should your loved one test positive for Covid-19 while on a visit, they would not be able to immediately return to Trinity. Please coordinate with the applicable Network Director for further guidance.
- As before, visits may be suspended during Covid-19 surges within our local communities and/or within Trinity. Furthermore, this may change as a result of IDPH/DHS/CDC direction at any time.

We appreciate your continued support and understanding as we continue to navigate these waters safely.

Sincerely,



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