



May 31, 2021

Good Afternoon,

Dr. Strang announced on Friday the following changes to restrictions at Saint Vincent's Nursing Home. These changes will come into effect on Wednesday June 2, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

- Outdoor visitation without physical distancing can resume for residents who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (see definition below). All visitors must wear a mask throughout the visit.
 - Appointments for outdoor visits must be booked through Kathy MacDonald. She can be reached by phoning 902-429-0550 ex: 113. Outdoor visits can occur (weather permitting) Monday-Friday from 1:00 p.m -4:00 p.m. and will be 30 minutes in length.
 - Visitors should proceed to the lobby for screening and then immediately go outside to the garden area for your visit.
 - Staff will bring your loved one to you.
 - Due to construction, outdoor visits will take place inside the garden area. You may use one of the benches or use the gazebo if you like.
- Catherine – our licensed hairdresser can resume offering services to residents who are fully immunized.
- Two Designated Caregivers may visit a resident at the same time. Designated Caregivers will continue to be screened in the lobby prior to visiting their loved one. It is highly recommended that all Designated Caregivers be immunized.

Note: A person is considered fully immunized against COVID-19 when:

- They have received both doses of a COVID-19 vaccine that is authorized as a two-dose schedule and their final dose was administered a minimum of 14 days previously, or
- One dose of a COVID-19 vaccine that is authorized as a one-dose schedule and their final dose was administered a minimum of 14 days previously.

We are pleased to see the restrictions ease a bit. It is another step closer to our new normal. If you are not vaccinated, please consider it as a way of protecting your loved one. We will continue to offer asymptomatic COVID testing in the first floor conference room from Monday – Friday and every second Saturday (this Saturday) from 12-4.

I expect that the restrictions will change several times over the coming month or so. If you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to stop by and ask.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debbie".

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