Dear Parker Family Members and Friends,

We hope that this communication finds you well.

We have received new regulations regarding visitation, for all Skilled Nursing Facilities. Effective Monday, January 17, 2022, all visitors who choose to visit inside the facility, will need to please comply with the following:

**COVID-19 Testing for Visitors:**

All Visitors will be screened upon entering our community.

All visitors must verify that they have received a negative COVID-19 test result, one day prior to visitation, by the antigen rapid test or two days prior to visitation with a PCR test.

**Procedure:** If you have a PCR test report, within the required timeframe above, please bring the result with you, for your visit. If it is an at-home test result, please take a photo of the final result and be prepared to present the photo upon entering the facility. Everyone will be asked to complete a mandatory attestation form, at time of entry to the facility. You may access the attestation form via the following [link](#).

Please also be aware, that if you receive a positive COVID-19 test result, you will not be allowed to enter into our community, as mandated by our regulators.

**Wearing Masks:**

Visitors will be required to wear a surgical mask, at the minimum, as opposed to a cloth mask. A surgical mask will be provided to you upon clearing security/screening, unless you have one in your possession already.

**Please be sure to follow these rules when visiting:**

- Wear a mask from when you enter our facility until you exit the building.
- Wash or sanitize your hands when you enter the building, often throughout your visit and again prior to leaving.
- Maintain social distancing at all times during your visit.
- Please refrain from visiting if you are not feeling well.

We ask that you strongly consider scheduling an outdoor visit in our heated outdoor pavilion, and/or, scheduling a virtual visit. We remain vigilant with enforcing our infection control protocols, for everyone’s safety.

Our obligation is to protect your and our community from the spread of COVID-19. Please contact the Family Call Center at 718-289-2888, if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and support.

Sincerely yours,

The Parker Team
Dear Parker Family Members and Friends,

As you all are aware, COVID-19 continues to circulate around the world, and in particular in our community. We are experiencing an increase in the COVID-19 infection rates, within our local communities. We cannot stress enough, the importance of vaccination and following infection control practices, within the Parker Community. Our residents are among the most vulnerable to the threat of this virus, and protecting their health is our responsibility.

On Thursday, August 11, 2022, the Centers for Disease Control streamlined COVID-19 guidance, to help the public better protect themselves and understand their risk. Please know that the Skilled Nursing Facilities, are not included in this directive, at this time.

We remind you to **please be sure to follow these rules when visiting:**

- Wear a mask from when you enter our facility until you exit the building.
- Wash or sanitize your hands when you enter the building, often throughout your visit and again prior to leaving.
- Maintain social distancing at all times during your visit.
- Please refrain from visiting if you are not feeling well.

Please also remember that testing is still required, regardless of age, prior to visiting; visit our website at [Parkerinstitute.org](http://Parkerinstitute.org) and click on the COVID-19 tab for further information. All visitors are encouraged to be vaccinated, and boosted when eligible, to reduce the risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19. If you have any questions, please contact the Family Call Center, or call 718-289-2228.

We strongly suggest scheduling an **outdoor visit** in our lower level outdoor patio, and/or, scheduling a **virtual visit**, for the health of our residents, staff and for you/your family.

We know that the best way to minimize the symptoms of COVID-19 virus is to be vaccinated. We strongly encourage all visitors to be vaccinated against COVID19, and when eligible, boosted -- prior to visiting. To schedule a COVID-19 Test at our outdoor vaccination and testing center, please [click here](http://www.parkerinstitute.org).

We are encouraged by our wonderful families and staff, and most of all, our patients and residents.

Please contact our Family Call Center at 718-289-2888, if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

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