COVID-19: Screening Checklist – for Visitors and Staff

On March 13, 2020, CMS and CDC updated guidance on restricting all SNF visitors and non-essential healthcare personnel, except for certain compassionate care situations. **ALL individuals** (staff, other health care workers, family, visitors, government officials, etc.) entering the building must be asked the following questions:

1. **Has this individual washed their hands or used alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR) on entry?**
    ☐ Yes   ☐ No – please ask them to do so

2. **Ask the individual if they have any of the following respiratory symptoms?**
    ☐ Fever
    ☐ Sore throat
    ☐ Cough
    ☐ New shortness of breath

    If YES to any, restrict them from entering the building.
    If NO to all, proceed to **question #3 for staff** and **question #4 for all others**.

3. **For Staff & Health Care Providers (HCP)** (e.g. agency staff, regional or corporate staff, health care workers such as hospice, EMS, dialysis technicians that provide care to residents):

    3A. Check temperature and document results   ☐ Fever present?

    If YES, restrict from entering the building.
    If NO, proceed to step 3B.

    3B. Ask if they have worked in facilities or locations with recognized COVID-19 cases?

    ☐ If YES, ask if they worked with a person(s) with confirmed COVID-19?

    If YES, require them to wear PPE including mask, gloves, gown before any contact with residents & proceed to step 4.
    If NO, proceed to step 4.

4. **Allow entry to building and remind the individual to:**
    ☐ Wash their hands or use ABHR throughout their time in the building.
    ☐ Not shake hands with, touch or hug individuals during their visit.

Visitors permitted for compassionate care situation	Staff
☐ Must wear a facemask while in the building and restrict their visit to the resident's room or other location designated by the facility.	**When there are cases in the community but none in this facility:** ☐ Consider implementing universal use of facemasks for all HCP while in this facility.
	When there are cases in this facility OR sustained transmission in the community: ☐ Implement universal use of facemask for all HCP while in this facility. ☐ Consider having HCP wear all recommended PPE (gown, gloves, eye protection, N95 respirator or, if not available, a facemask) for the care of all residents, regardless of presence of symptoms. Implement protocols for extended use of eye protection & facemasks.

Note: Assisted Living Providers can use this checklist as feasible for their community.   REVISED 3/31/2020