



Victoria Chinatown Care Centre

Friday, March 18-2022

Hello Everyone;

The Provincial Health Officer announced that the risk of COVID-19 transmission in the province continues to decrease, and therefore social visitation **will be re-opening** in long-term care.

As of today, visiting at Victoria Chinatown Care Centre (VCCC) will be allowed between the hours of **10:00 – 11:40 and 1:30 – 4:45 daily**. During meal times it is not possible to have visitors in the dining room.

We receives some further direction from Island Health and the Ministry of Health (MOH) regarding **Visitation** in Long Term Care facilities:

- The Greeting/Screening Process continues to have the same components;
- Proof of vaccination status and monitoring for symptoms remain as a requirement for entry into VCCC;
- Rapid antigen testing requirements for long-term care visitors continue;
- Masks remain a requirement but the mask may be removed once inside a private room.

According to Fire Regulations, VCCC can have a **maximum of 50 people** in the building. As you know, there are 31 residents, and a range of 3 to 12 staff (depending on the time of day/shift). At times, **this leaves room for only 7 visitors**.

When you schedule a visit at VCCC and you have a change of plans, please come or phone to cancel the scheduled visit as soon as you can. When you don't show up for a scheduled visit, some other family may not be able to visit at all that day or they may have to come at a different time/day.

Alternatively, please do not show up at VCCC when you have not scheduled a visit. Our Front Receptionists do their very best to ensure residents are able to meet with their family members as scheduled and on time.



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In order to accommodate residents having more than one family member visit, families are encouraged to take their resident on Outings. These need to be pre-scheduled to ensure residents have all they need during their time away from VCCC.

Please note: Some visitors will have the option to test themselves with a rapid antigen test kit at home. The results of rapid antigen tests taken at home must be within 48 hours prior to a scheduled visit.

While supplies last, some rapid antigen test kits are available through VCCC. And they are also available through some community pharmacies based on age.

I hope this helps to keep you all up to date.

Best Regards, Maxine

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