COVID-19
Residential Care Visitation Order

This order provides a safe plan for visitation, and continues necessary protections for residents and staff in facilities across the state.

| Outdoor visits do not require testing. Allowed if no recent cases in facility. |
| Indoor visits do require testing. Allowed if no recent cases in the facility. |
| Compassionate care does require testing. End of life visits are exempt from testing. |

Different rules apply to special categories of visitors, such as medical providers and those providing assistance with activities of daily living. See the Residential Care Special Cases Guidance for more information.

**Visitation Precautions:**

- Limited number of visitors/appointments only
- Health screenings
- Six feet of physical distancing
- Face coverings (and other PPE when required by the facility)
- Hand hygiene and other cleaning/disinfecting protocols

*Visitor testing is required in Nursing Homes, Homes for the Aged (HFAs), and Adult Foster Care homes (AFCs) licensed to serve 13 or more individuals. Visitor testing is encouraged, but not required in AFCs licensed to serve 12 or fewer individuals, unlicensed Assisted Living facilities, Hospice facilities, and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Residential facilities. Compassionate Care visits are those for residents in serious/critical condition, or in hospice care, including end of life visits.

For types of visits requiring testing, facilities should conduct point of care rapid antigen testing. When point of care testing is not available, facilities must require visitors to be tested on their own within 72 hours of coming to the facility and require proof of negative test results upon entry.

To read the complete MDHHS March 2, 2021, Visitation Order, visit [Michigan.gov/Coronavirus](https://www.michigan.gov/Coronavirus). Questions or concerns can be emailed to COVID19@michigan.gov.