

COVID-19 Long Term Care Facilities Visitation Guidance – Effective 3-10-2021

	FEDERAL	INDIANA	ILLINOIS
Outdoor Visitation with <u>NO</u> Outbreak	Held whenever practicable. Facilities should create accessible, safe, outdoor spaces.	See Federal Req.	Outdoor visitation is preferred. Facilities should create accessible, safe, outdoor spaces and a written visitation policy in accordance with the IDPH Updated Guidance Form .
Indoor Visitation with <u>NO</u> Outbreak	Allowed at all times unless certain scenarios arise that would limit visitation for individuals set forth in the CMS Memorandum .	EIGHT hours of visitation required if: 1) County positivity rate is at 10% or less <u>AND</u> 2) There hasn't been a new-facility onset case in 14 days.	Allowed at all times unless certain scenarios arise that would limit visitation for individuals set forth in the IDPH Updated Guidance Form .
Indoor Visitation <u>WITH</u> Outbreak	Suspended until at least ONE round of <i>facility-wide</i> testing is completed following a new case. Visitation should not be restricted following facility-wide testing so long as the transmission is <i>contained</i> .	Suspended if there has been a new onset of cases in the last 14 days and the facility is currently conducting outbreak testing. Outdoor visitation can continue during an outbreak in some facilities.	See Federal Req.
Vaccination Requirements	Visitors should <u>not</u> be required to be tested or vaccinated as a condition of visitation.	See Federal Req.	See Federal Req.
Compassionate Care	Visits for a resident whose health has <i>sharply declined</i> or is experiencing a <i>significant change</i> of circumstances should be allowed at <u>ALL</u> times.	See Federal Req.	Visits for a resident whose health has <i>sharply declined</i> OR is experiencing a <i>significant change</i> of circumstances set forth in the IDPH Updated Guidance Form should be allowed at ALL times.
Transmission Based Requirements	Residents on transmission-based precautions should only receive <i>virtual visits</i> or <i>visits through windows</i> . Restriction lifted once precautions are no longer required.	See Federal Req.	See Federal Req.

*In Illinois, a facility must satisfy all the criteria put forth in the IDPH *Long Term Care Facilities Guidance* form and must spend a minimum 14 days in a given phase, with no, new cases before advancing to the next phase