

## COVID-19: Screening Checklist for Visitors and Employees

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, such as end-of-life.

***ALL individuals (employees, family, visitors, government officials) 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 employees and step #4 for all others.

**3A. For employees, check temperature and document results (not required for visitors)**

- Fever present?

If YES, restrict from entering the building.

If NO, proceed to step 3B.

**3B. For employees, ask if they have:**

- Worked in facilities with recognized COVID-19 cases?

If YES, ask if they worked with person with confirmed COVID-19?

- YES    NO

If YES, restrict them from entering the building.

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 that are permitted for compassionate care situations must wear a facemask while in the building and restrict their visit to the resident's room or other location designated by the facility.