



Home Visit Protocol

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Individuals may participate in home and family visits with all appropriate risk mitigation strategies in place which include safe social distancing, use of masks or other face coverings when tolerated, meticulous attention to hand washing and proper cleaning and disinfection. This protocol is subject to change without prior notice as new information becomes available.

Families are reminded that during any off-site visit, exposure to members of different households and to public places, in general, should be done with caution and on a limited basis. Good hygiene must be practiced and safe social distancing should be maintained, whenever possible. We strongly encourage the use of face masks be worn in public and indoors whenever social distancing cannot be maintained to protect both family and individuals.

Individuals may participate in home or family visits **only** if all of the following circumstances are met:

1. The individual is not suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19, and is not under any quarantine or isolation requirements;
2. The individual passes a health screen and temperature check immediately prior to leaving the certified residence;
3. The individual washes their hands immediately prior to their departure from and return to the residence;
4. The location(s) of the visit does not include: (a) any household member suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19; (b) any household member who has been exposed to COVID-19 in the prior 14 days; or (c) any household member displays any symptoms of COVID-19 in the preceding 14 days; AND
5. Families ensure that individuals are washing and/or sanitizing hands throughout the day, implementing social distancing whenever possible, and wearing face coverings whenever social distancing cannot be maintained in public.

In order to be able to sufficiently trace and track any potential COVID-19 exposure, Head Injury Association is required to maintain a log of all home visits and other visits off site from the certified residence. Prior to the scheduled home visit the Residential Manager or Director will complete the Pre-Home Visit Form by obtaining information from the family member scheduling the visit. The visiting logs must include the following information:

- The names of any individuals who participated in a home visit, including the address of the home visit, and the dates and times such visit started and ended;
- Confirmation that person(s) picking up or receiving an individual for a home visit denied that anyone in the household had any known exposure to COVID-19 in the prior 14 days;

- Confirmation that person(s) picking up or receiving an individual for a home visit denied that anyone in the household has exhibited any of the following symptoms within the last 14 days:
 - Cough;
 - Fever of 100.0 degrees or greater;
 - Sore Throat;
 - Shortness of breath;
 - Headache;
 - Chills;
 - Muscle Pain; and/or
 - New loss of taste or smell.

- Confirmation that the individual participating in the visit passed their health screen immediately prior to participating in the home visit;

- Addresses of any and all places the individual spent time during the home visit, including the names of other people spending time in close contact (within 6 feet and longer than 15 minutes) or proximate contact; AND confirmation that the individual passed their health screen upon return from the home visit.

Families must contact the Residential Manager or Director to schedule home visits 24 hours in advance. Upon return to the residence the Home Visit Attestation Form must be completed.