



Preakness Healthcare Center

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Update, July 18, 2021

Please Note: This Update is posted on the Passaic County website and distributed through the Constant Contact email group for families who have elected to provide their email address and is distributed to all staff. Our Social Workers and Therapeutic Recreation staff distribute the Update to residents who wish to receive it.

UPDATE ON INDOOR VISITATION

We have now received all results from the testing of staff and residents for the required first two rounds of testing. All results were negative. Therefore, general indoor visitation may resume on all units *except* 3-400. Visitation hours are 10 am to 7 pm. These visits do not need to be scheduled. Two visitors at a time, ages two or older, may visit and all protocols for infection prevention must be followed.

For residents on unit 3-400, visitation is as follows:

- Residents who are on transmission based precautions may have scheduled compassionate or end of life visitation wearing all required personal protective equipment that we provide that includes a gown, gloves, mask and face shield. Outdoor visitation may not occur until the end of the transmission based precaution period.
- Residents who are *not* on transmission based precautions but are on quarantine who resided on resident unit 3-400 on or prior to July 8, 2021 may have scheduled compassionate or end of life visitation. Outdoor visitation may not occur until the end of the quarantine period.
- Residents who were admitted to resident unit 3-400 on July 9, 2021 or later may have general indoor visitation that does not need to be scheduled.

All staff and residents will be tested again, regardless of vaccination status, for the next required round of testing. Staff will be tested on Wednesday, July 21, 2021. Residents will be tested during July 19 through July 21, 2021.

For residents who prefer outdoor visitation, visits may be scheduled at 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm, 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm. Compassionate visits may be scheduled at 11 am, 1 pm, 2 pm and 4 pm. Please call 973-585-2145 to schedule outdoor, compassionate or end of life visits.

If you have an urgent call or complaint, please call Preakness Healthcare Center Security staff at 973-317-7023 and your call will be directed to the appropriate person. In addition, Dr. Geoffrey Mugalu, Assistant Executive Director may be reached at 973-585-2113 or Daniel Nasulme, Acting Director of Nursing may be reached at 973-585-1409 to address any concerns.

As always, many thanks for the work of our staff, their sacrifices and the continued support we receive during these challenging and emotional times. ***Preakness Strong Heroes Continue to Work Here!***

Sincerely,

Lucinda Corrado, LNHA
Executive Director