

What is allowed for Long-Term Care Facilities Visitation

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A facility or agency must meet certain criteria before entering a new phase, including going 28 days without a resident or staff member testing positive for COVID-19 and having at least a 14-day supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) on hand. Until the COVID-19 public health threat has ended, facilities and agencies will practice social distancing, universal masking, screen all staff and residents entering for symptoms, maintain access to testing and follow all local and federal PPE guidelines.

	 LTC Phase 1	 LTC Phase 2	 LTC Phase 3	 LTC Phase 4
Compassionate care visits	✓	✓	✓	✓
Window visits	✓	✓	✓	✓
Remote visits	✓	✓	✓	✓
Outdoor visits	✓*	✓	✓	✓
Limited indoor visits		✓**	✓	✓
Normal visitation				✓

*Residents are limited to two visitors each day.

**Only if the resident is unable to visit outdoors or remotely.
In that case, a single 'essential support person' will be allowed into the facility.