COVID-19 Recommendations for Long-term Care Facilities Based on Vaccination Status

RESIDENTS	Vaccinated* Immunocompetent	Unvaccinated	Immunocompromised Vaccinated or Unvaccinated
Quarantine upon admission or after leave of absence (LOA)		X	X
Quarantine after a close exposure	X	X	X
Quarantine during an outbreak	X	X	X
Test for routine surveillance			
Test after exposure or during an outbreak	X	X	Χ
Isolate at least 10 days after a positive test	X	Χ	Χ
Mask in common areas of the facility	X	Χ	Χ
May only participate in visits or gatherings where all participants are masked/distanced***		X	X
Mask/distance for gatherings where one or more present are unvaccinated (or unknown/ unverified)	X	X	X
Mask with unvaccinated visitors	X	X	X
Mask around other residents or staff**	X	Χ	Χ
Physically distanced dining		Χ	Χ
Physically distanced visitation***		Χ	Χ
Indoor visits are dependent on resident vaccination rate/community transmission***		X	X
Indoor visits stopped during an outbreak***	Χ	X	X

^{*}Vaccinated is defined as >2 weeks from completion of an approved COVID-19 vaccination series. If status is unknown, the individual should be considered unvaccinated.



^{**}Exception: Vaccinated residents may choose to not mask or distance in small groups of all vaccinated participants. Vaccinated staff must remain masked during all activities.

^{***}Exceptions for compassionate care visits

STAFF	Vaccinated* Immunocompetent	Unvaccinated	Immunocompromised Vaccinated or Unvaccinated
Quarantine after a close exposure**		X	X
Quarantine after domestic travel		X	X
Quarantine after international travel		X	X
Test after domestic travel***		X	X
Test after international travel	X	X	X
Test after an exposure	Χ	X	X
Test during an outbreak	X	X	X
Test for routine surveillance		X	X
Isolate at least 10 days after a positive test	Χ	X	X
Mask and any other required personal protective equipment (PPE) for any resident contact	X	X	X
Mask in common areas/resident rooms	X	X	X
Mask in ANY area of the facility where one or more persons are unvaccinated (or unknown/unverified)	X	X	X
May unmask in break rooms, offices or meetings where all present are vaccinated	✓		

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^{**}Testing, symptom monitoring and increased PPE still advised after close exposure regardless of quarantine requirement.

^{***}Testing all staff following any air travel is still advisable, even when not specifically required (i.e., domestic travel for vaccinated staff).

VISITORS	Vaccinated* Immunocompetent	Unvaccinated	Immunocompromised Vaccinated or Unvaccinated
Hold visitation after a close exposure	X	Χ	X
Hold visitation after domestic travel		Χ	X
Hold visitation after international travel		X	X
Test after domestic travel**		Χ	X
Test after international travel**	X	Χ	Χ
Test prior to visitation**		Χ	X
Isolate at least 10 days after a positive test	X	X	X
Mask in common areas of the facility	X	Χ	Χ
Mask when staff or other residents are present	X	X	Χ
Mask while alone with their vaccinated resident(s)		Χ	Χ
Mask while visiting unvaccinated residents	X	X	Χ
Physically distance with vaccinated residents***			
Physically distance with unvaccinated residents***	X	X	X

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^{**}Visitor testing is recommended, not required. However, testing may affect how soon they can visit the facility following travel (see CDC travel recommendations). Additionally, facilities may request testing for situations not specifically recommended such as after any air travel with the understanding that visitors may refuse.

^{***}Exceptions for compassionate care visits