

Visitor Waiver Form for Short Stay Absences & Outings

Congregate care settings serving vulnerable individuals are required to take steps to ensure that all parties understand the parameters and protocols that will guide Short Stay Absences & Outings.

Short Stay Absences & Outings requiring this waiver include any excursion out of the group home where there is a visitor present. This includes: neighbourhood walks, community outings/destination drives, van rides/country drives, medical appointments, and family home day visits.

Visitors are required to have read any specific guidelines related to the Short Stay Absence that are available on the Sunbeam Community & Developmental Services website and the accompanying *Visitor Education & Information Package* that provides additional information on hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette, use of a face covering (mask), and enhanced cleaning/disinfection.

Visitors will respect and adhere to the expectations and guidelines provided by Sunbeam. These are in accordance with the Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services and Public Health guidance.

EXPECTATIONS, TERMS & CONDITIONS

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Visitors will contact the group home to arrange a short stay absence with their loved one at least 1 day prior. All visits will be scheduled and allowing for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Maximum of 2 visitors at a time per resident,</i> b. <i>Two short stay absences maximum per week per resident</i> 2. Visits will occur only at locations where there is no current outbreak or investigation of COVID-19 3. All visitors will call 60 – 90 minutes ahead to be screened prior to the short stay absence. Individuals who do not pass screening will postpone their short stay absence per screening requirements. 4. Clients attending a short stay absence will be screened prior to leaving the group home. Individuals who do not pass screening will postpone their short stay absence per screening requirements. 5. Hand hygiene must be performed thoroughly and frequently. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Respiratory etiquette must be practiced (please cough or sneeze into your arm or a tissue). 7. A face covering (mask) must be worn throughout the visit, covering both the nose and mouth and fitting comfortably under the chin. 8. Only gifts that can be safely disinfected or laundered will be accepted at a visit, and will be disinfected or laundered prior to being given to the person-served 9. No more than two family member visitors will be present during a short stay absence per client, and these two people must attest to being part of the same exclusive ‘social bubble’ or ‘social circle’ as defined by Ontario Public Health authorities. 10. If any other members within the visitors’ social circle or other close contacts have been ill with undiagnosed respiratory infection or suspected COVID-19, then the visitor will notify the Supervisor of the group home and short stay absence will be postponed.
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Should any of these expectations not be strictly adhered to by the visitor(s), short stay absences will be discontinued for a period of no less than 14 days. As well, under Public Health protocols and Ministry guidance, any possible high risk of exposure will result in the resident being required to undergo a 14-day preventative isolation period in their group home.

I, _____, fully understand and agree to the above expectations, terms & conditions.

Date

Signature of Visitor

Date

Signature of Sunbeam Staff Witness