



Lifetime Assistance Inc.

Guidance for Screening Visitors/Members of the Public

OPWDD has required us to **screen all visitors** and **pre-screen over the telephone** all planned visits by **non-staff entities**, including families, care managers, job candidates, etc., using the following three questions:

- 1. Have you traveled to a country for which the CDC has issued a Level 2 or 3 travel designation within the last 14 days? For the latest information on Level 2 or 3 Travel CDC designation areas refer to their web site at :
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>**
- 2. To your knowledge, have you had contact with any Persons Under Investigation (PUIs) for COVID-19 within the last 14 days, OR with anyone with known COVID-19?**
- 3. Do you have any symptoms of a respiratory infection (e.g. cough, sore throat, fever, or shortness of breath)?**

If “**No**” to questions (1) and (2) but “**Yes**” to question (3): Ask them to restrict visitation until they are no longer exhibiting any such symptom.

If “**Yes**” to questions (1) and/or (2), but “**No**” to question (3): Decline their request for visitation and instruct them to contact NYS DOH for further direction.

If “**Yes**” to questions (1) and/or (2), and (3), (i.e. reports having symptoms), **instruct them** to immediately contact their medical provider and Local Health Department. If they are experiencing serious symptoms (e.g. shortness of breath), call 911. Also instruct the screened individual to notify receiving medical provider and transporter in advance of potential concern for COVID-19.

Additionally, if the visitor answers yes to questions (1) and/or (2) , and (3) (reports having symptoms), disinfect any surfaces touched with Lysol/bleach wipes such as the door bell and door knobs.

FOR ANY QUESTIONS- Please reach out to your Director or if after hours to the Administrator On-Call