



February 25, 2021

Dear Family Members and Guardians,

I am pleased to announce that effective immediately family visitation in programs will resume to include overnight visits to their family's homes so long as there has not been a positive case of COVID diagnosed in the prior 14 days in your home or the home of your loved one (a Venture residential program). When there is a positive case of COVID diagnosed in one of our homes, families of the people living in that home will be advised that the program has been quarantined and when the quarantine will end for the program.

Despite the majority of the individuals receiving vaccines, we will still be observing COVID precautions during visitations. To achieve this, visitors will be expected to do the following:

- Arrange a time for the visit prior to arrival. This is to allow for adequate social distancing
- Participate in COVID screening/sign in procedures prior to entering the home
 - If you have any COVID symptoms or have been exposed to COVID, please refrain from visiting to protect people who live and work in the home who have may not have been vaccinated
- Wear a mask or face covering
- Use hand sanitizer prior to entry into the program
- Limit the length of the visit. Thirty minutes or less is preferable
- Limit the number of visitors to 2 people
- Practice social distancing to the full extent possible. We realize this may be a challenge for some of the people who we support, but we continue to encourage this to prevent COVID transmission
- If, within 72 hours after the visit, you begin experiencing signs of COVID or have been exposed to COVID, please inform program staff so that we can make arrangements to test the individuals as needed

Venture has had a relatively low positivity rate amongst its staff and the people it serves. We believe that the precautions we have in place will help us to maintain those low positivity rates. I am certain that you're anxious to visit your loved ones in person and your observation of these precautionary steps will assist to keep the people supported and our staff healthy.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Pam", written in a cursive style.

Pam Sampson
Chief Program Officer