COVID-19: Screening Checklist for Visitors and Employees

On March 13, 2020, CMS and CDC updated guidance on restricting all SNF visitors and non-essential healthcare personnel, except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end-of-life.

ALL individuals (employees, family, visitors, government officials) entering the building must be asked the following questions:

1. Has this individual washed their hands or used alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR) on entry?
   - □ YES
   - □ NO – please ask them to do so

2. Ask the individual if they have any of the following respiratory symptoms?
   - □ Fever
   - □ Sore throat
   - □ Cough
   - □ New shortness of breath
   If YES to any, restrict them from entering the building.
   If NO to all, proceed to question #3 for employees and step #4 for all others.

3A. For employees, check temperature and document results (not required for visitors)
   - □ Fever present?
   If YES, restrict from entering the building.
   If NO, proceed to step 3B.

3B. For employees, ask if they have:
   - □ Worked in facilities with recognized COVID-19 cases?
     If YES, ask if they worked with person with confirmed COVID-19?
     - □ YES □ NO
     If YES, restrict them from entering the building.
     If NO, proceed to step 4.

4. Allow entry to building and remind the individual to:
   - □ Wash their hands or use ABHR throughout their time in the building.
   - □ Not shake hands with, touch or hug individuals during their visit.
   - □ Visitors that are permitted for compassionate care situations must wear a facemask while in the building and restrict their visit to the resident’s room or other location designated by the facility.