COVID-19: Screening Checklist – for Visitors and Staff

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. ALL INDIVIDUALS (staff, other health care workers, family, visitors, government officials, etc.) 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?
   - Cough
   - Shortness of breath
   - OR at least TWO of these symptoms
     - Fever
     - Repeated shaking with chills
     - Headache
     - New loss of taste or smell
     - Chills
     - Muscle pain
     - Sore throat
     - Repeated shaking with chills
     - Muscle pain
   - If YES to any, restrict them from entering the building.
   - If NO to all, proceed to question #3 for staff and question #4 for all others.

3. For Staff & Health Care Providers (HCP) (e.g. agency staff, regional or corporate staff, health care workers such as hospice, EMS, dialysis technicians that provide care to residents):
   - 3A. Check temperature and document results
     - Fever present?
       - If YES, restrict from entering the building.
       - If NO, proceed to step 3B.
   - 3B. Ask if they have worked in facilities or locations with recognized COVID-19 cases?
     - If YES, ask if they worked with a person(s) with confirmed COVID-19?
       - If YES, require them to wear PPE including mask, gloves, gown before any contact with residents & proceed to step 4.
       - 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.

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<td>Consider having HCP wear all recommended PPE (gown, gloves, eye protection, N95 respirator or, if not available, a facemask) for the care of all residents, regardless of presence of symptoms. Implement protocols for extended use of eye protection &amp; facemasks.</td>
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Note: Assisted Living Providers can use this checklist as feasible for their community.  REVISED 4/29/2020