

Good afternoon,

Effective Monday, May 18, 2020, we will begin to relax some of our Coronavirus-related protocols around movement outside of our homes and accepting visitors. As you know, our Shelter In Place protocol is also being modified with respect to staffing. A Return to Work plan is forthcoming by the end of the week and will provide you with additional guidance.

Please be familiar with the following guidelines and note that some of the recommendations and requirements are consistent with statements issued previously. The following are not exhaustive lists by any means but serve to provide you with some highlighted guidelines:

UPDATED GUIDANCE

- Practice social distancing at all times; individuals must stay six feet apart whenever possible
- Wash your hands frequently
- Encourage individuals not to touch their eyes, nose and mouth
- Staff must wear masks at all times
- Clients are to wear masks when outside the home whenever possible and when tolerated
- No public gatherings; this means no trips to the mall, no restaurants, no department stores; no visits to any area where people are able to gather in tight spaces
- Only non-contact interaction with others is acceptable

PERMITTED ACTIVITIES

- Walks in the neighborhood
- Visits to parks
- Drives in the car/van
- Visits to fast food drive-up windows
- Effective May 18, visitors are permitted at our homes but only outdoors; non-contact visits only; 6 feet social distancing at all times

Please understand that by loosening some of the restrictions around outside activities, visitation and staffing schedules we are NOT saying that the COVID-19 crisis is over. The virus is still very much an ongoing threat to the health and wellbeing of every client and every staff person. Precautions and safeguards are to be taken seriously and with extreme care!!

We very much appreciate your attention to this and for your continuing diligence around keeping yourselves and those around you safe. Your commitment has made a world of difference – thank you!!

Warm regards,

Jeff

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