



Pandemic In-Person Visit Guidelines

Rite of Passage encourages and supports communication and visitation between students and their loved ones through telephone calls, video conferencing and in-person visits. During times of pandemic, frequent telephone calls and video conferencing will always be offered as a safe, effective method of communication and interaction. In facilitating in-person visitation, ROP will follow CDC and State/Local guidelines to ensure the safety and well-being of its students, staff and visitors. The following steps have been put into place to ensure in-person visitation practices are in line with these guidelines:

PRIOR TO THE VISIT

- If an ROP program has an active positive COVID-19 staff member or student or if the program is awaiting the COVID-19 test results for a staff member or student, no visits will be allowed at the program until the program is cleared by the local health department and/or our ROP's infectious disease consultant.
- If visitor email addresses are available, a ROP Case Manager will email ROP's Pandemic Visit Guidelines to scheduled visitors at least 5 days prior to the visit.
- A ROP Case Manager will call all scheduled visit attendees at least 3 days prior to the visit to review the Pandemic Visit Guidelines and in-person visit schedule and details.
- All visitors must agree to the terms of the Pandemic Visit Guidelines or the visit shall be postponed.
- All visitors are expected to inform ROP in advance of the visit if they or anyone in their household has tested positive for COVID-19 or if they are currently experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19.

DURING THE VISIT

- Upon arrival to the program site all visitors will have their temperature checked, their hands sanitized and be required to complete and sign a Visitor Screening Form (ROP Policy 700.120) and the Pandemic Visit Guidelines. If any visitor has a temperature or is presenting symptoms the visit will be postponed until the all visitors are no longer exhibiting symptoms.
- All visitors and students will be required to wear a mask or cloth facial covering during the entire visit. All visitors will be offered a disposable mask at the time of their visit should they not bring one.
- Staff, visitors and students will be required to practice social distancing during the visit, i.e. maintain 6 feet distance from each other.
- Visitors will not be allowed to engage in physical contact, i.e. hugging, kissing or touching, with the student.
- Visitors will be limited to individuals in the immediate household of the student and/or parent(s)/legal guardian(s).
- Visits will be limited to no more than 2 visitors per occurrence unless the visit venue can accommodate a larger group while adhering to social distancing guidelines.
- Wherever possible, visits should occur in an outdoor setting.
- The visitation area will be sanitized hourly during the visit and visitors will be provided with hand sanitizer at that time as well.
- Visitors will be required to leave any bags or extra clothing in their car or at the front desk of the facility. No outside items will be allowed to be brought into the visitation setting.
- No gifts or care packages will be allowed for the student from visitors.

AFTER THE VISIT

- Should any visitor exhibit COVID-19 symptoms within 72 hours after the visit, including but not limited to a 100 degree Fahrenheit fever and/or cough and/or shortness of breath, the visitor shall notify the ROP facility immediately, at the following ROP program telephone number: _____

In signing this document, I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the document and I understand and will comply with the rules and guidelines outlined above.

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

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