

## KEEPING YOU INFORMED

### Holiday Season Activities 2020

#### What's happening?

The holiday season this year will be challenging for us in Long-Term Care and Assisted Living as we fortify our efforts to control the pandemic in the face of unprecedented COVID-19 positive case numbers in Fraser Health. All prevention activity including restrictions in resident/tenant movement and visitation must continue throughout the holidays.

**How does this affect you?** You are required to adhere to the following practices (*not all are applicable to sites on Outbreak who must follow Public Health guidance*):

Activity	Acceptable Practice	Additional Notes
Visitation	1 Social Visitor 1 Essential Visitor (as per care plan)	See COVID-19 Resource Toolkit: <a href="#">Visitation Table</a>
Social Outings	Social outings are not permitted as per current BC Provincial Health orders that limit going to someone's home. (AL tenants may continue to go out for essential groceries/supplies.)	In the event that a violation of the current Provincial health order occurs and the resident were to leave the facility for ANY length of time the resident will be required to be on 14 days of droplet precautions upon return.
Bus Outings	May be arranged with facility bus and facility staff only, adhering to all prevention practices. Stopping to socialize at any venue is not permitted but viewing Christmas lights and displays in the community is permissible. Date, time and participant lists are to be maintained.	The number permitted on the bus is subject to the ability to maintain 6 ft physical distancing between riders at all times. Masks are to be worn and enhanced cleaning is to be performed. No food or drink is to be provided on the bus.
Medical Appointments	Essential medical appointments may continue while following all guidelines.	See COVID-19 Resource Toolkit: <a href="#">Essential Off-Site Medical Appointments</a>
Christmas Decorations & Displays	Permissible provided IPC guidelines are followed. All decorations within the reach of the residents/tenants must be wipe-able/cleanable.	This may be a way to help ensure residents/tenants experience the joy of the season. Refer to IPC Holiday Guidelines.
Indoor & Outdoor Entertainment	No indoor or outdoor entertainers are permitted under the current BC Provincial Health orders. Recorded music is a good option.	Singing in groups is not permitted due to the increased risk of COVID-19 transmission.
Gifts	Gifts delivered in a disposable, wipeable bag are permissible. Flowers in vases are acceptable.	See COVID-19 Resource Toolkit: <a href="#">Guidance for Food and Essential Items</a>
Food	Food from home is permissible provided it comes in a disposable container.	See COVID-19 Resource Toolkit: <a href="#">Guidance for Food and Essential Items</a>

**Questions:** Please send queries to the [LTC/AL COVID-19 Mailbox](#)

