



Tips for Essential Caregivers (ECGs)

Questions and Answers

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| Must I wear my eye protection (face shield/safety glasses)? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ECGs must wear eye protection when on the resident unit and anytime the essential caregiver is within 6 ft/2m of resident |
| Am I permitted in the Cafeteria, Gift Boutique or other areas of the home? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only ECGs that have passed their rapid antigen test are permitted in these areas. If eating or drinking ECGs must maintain 6 ft/2m physical distance from resident. |
| How many ECGs are permitted for each resident? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each resident can assign two ECGs• Only one ECG may visit at one time |
| How are things different when the resident is at end-of-life? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each resident is permitted 2 visitors at end of life• Visitors do not have to be ECGs and do not need to have an rapid antigen test• Visitors are only permitted to visit in the resident's room |
| Am I permitted to help my family member in the dining room? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Fully immunized" ECGs may support residents in the dining room once their vaccine status has been verified and they have been provided with a "Dining Room Sticker".• "Fully immunized" means the individual has received all doses in their vaccine series and more than 14 days have passed since the receipt of the last dose. The resident they are supporting must also be fully immunized. The ECG must continue to wear a mask and eye protection.• Essential caregivers must email to vaccine@prvhc.com to express their wish to support in the dining room. |
| Am I permitted to join my family member in the internal courtyard? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The internal courtyards on the units are restricted to residents.• Physical distancing must be maintained, so ECGs are not permitted in the courtyards because this could limit resident access to these secure outside spaces.• ECGs are permitted in the SBSU courtyard.• Essential caregivers can accompany residents outdoors and must exit and enter via the Perley Rideau Main Entrance. |
| Am I able to take my loved one out for short absences? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Absences are limited to essential reasons only and must be approved by the Manager of Resident Care.• ECGs are permitted to walk outside on the Perley Rideau property and in the surrounding neighbourhood. |

Questions? Concerns? Please contact info@prvhc.com