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Dear families

Visits out of the care home

From 4 May 2021, residents can leave their care home to spend time outdoors, without subsequent isolation for 14 days, in the following circumstances:

- residents may be accompanied by:
 - a member of care home staff
 - one or both of their nominated visitors with a LFT test
 - their essential care provider (where applicable)
- visits should take place solely outdoors, except for the use of toilet facilities
- there should be no visits to indoor spaces (public or private)
- the exception to this is that residents will be able to access polling stations
- visits should not involve the use of public transport (you can use taxis with a screen)

Residents will be able to leave their care homes to visit a nominated visitor's garden, or go on walks in places such as parks, public gardens and beaches. They will not have to self-isolate when they return. Residents and their nominated visitor(s) must follow the government guidelines of washing hands regularly, keeping social distance, and remaining outside, in line with step 2 of the roadmap. Residents cannot meet in groups as care home residents are most at risk from COVID-19 and guidelines relating to households meeting do not apply in this instance.

We recognise that this will not be possible for many of our residents who are bed-bound and look forward to further announcements in due course from the Government which we hope will further relax visiting restrictions.

Please contact us if you wish to book a visit out of the care home so that we can make arrangements (the minibus may be available in certain circumstances to assist with visits).

Yours sincerely



Maxine Winch
Hospital Manager