

**Table 3A. Maine CDC Guidance for Community Engagement of Group A<sup>1</sup> Congregate Facilities (2/4/2021)**

Category	Facility Status			
	COVID-19 case in the last 14 days and/or Currently in Outbreak Status	High Positivity Rate >10%	Medium Positivity Rate 5 - 10%	Low Positivity Rate <5%
		Positivity Rate in the County in the last 14 days (update by Maine CDC every 7 days) Link to positivity rates: <a href="https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/airborne/coronavirus/data.shtml">https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/airborne/coronavirus/data.shtml</a>		
<b>Outdoor Visitation</b>	<b>No</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Indoor Visitation</b>	Compassionate Care	Compassionate Care	Yes (Following CMS <a href="#">guidance</a> , limit the number of visitors and movement within facility)	
<b>Pet Visitation</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	Single Resident Only
<b>Staff</b>	<b>Essential</b>	<b>Essential</b>	Limited Non-Essential	Non-Essential allowed, as long as not subject to work exclusion due to an exposure or show signs & symptoms of COVID-19 after being screened.
<b>Students</b> <i>(medical, nursing social work, etc.)</i>	Yes, as long as not subject to work exclusion due to an exposure or show signs & symptoms of COVID-19 after being screened.			
<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	Yes, as long as not subject to work exclusion due to an exposure or show signs & symptoms of COVID-19 after being screened.
<b>Communal Dining</b>	<b>No</b>	Yes, facilities should consider additional limitations based on status of COVID-19 infections in the facility	Yes, with Social Distancing (limited # people at each table with at least 6 feet between each person) <b>Note: Applies only to residents not in isolation or observation and not having suspected/confirmed COVID-19 status</b>	

Essential Medical Visits Outside the facility Escorted by Facility or Other Known Provider	<p style="text-align: center;">Yes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">If in an outbreak and/or sending a suspect or confirmed COVID-19 resident, receiving facility must be notified in advance.</p>				
Essential Medical Visits Outside the facility NOT Escorted by Facility or Other Known Provider	No	No	<p style="text-align: center;">Yes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Resident should be managed as a "COVID-19 status unknown" individual.</p>		
Group Activities, Escorted by Facility or Other Known	No	No	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td data-bbox="974 467 1482 789" style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;"> <p>Yes, for <u>≤10 persons</u> who have fully recovered from COVID-19 and for those not in isolation or observation or with suspected/confirmed COVID-19 status.</p> <p><b>Physical distancing among residents, appropriate hand hygiene, and use of face coverings (source control) apply.</b></p> </td> <td data-bbox="1482 467 2020 789" style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;"> <p>Yes, for residents who have fully recovered from COVID-19 and for those not in isolation or observation or with suspected/confirmed COVID-19 status.</p> <p><b>Physical distancing among residents, appropriate hand hygiene, and use of face coverings (source control) apply.</b></p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Yes, for <u>≤10 persons</u> who have fully recovered from COVID-19 and for those not in isolation or observation or with suspected/confirmed COVID-19 status.</p> <p><b>Physical distancing among residents, appropriate hand hygiene, and use of face coverings (source control) apply.</b></p>	<p>Yes, for residents who have fully recovered from COVID-19 and for those not in isolation or observation or with suspected/confirmed COVID-19 status.</p> <p><b>Physical distancing among residents, appropriate hand hygiene, and use of face coverings (source control) apply.</b></p>
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Group Activities, Not Escorted by Facility or Other Known Provider	No	No	<p style="text-align: center;">Yes, Resident should be managed as a "COVID-19 status unknown" individual.</p>		
Day Activities (Community Support, Employment Support, BH, Social Club etc.)	No	No	<p style="text-align: center;">Yes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Community Support provider must be in compliance with <a href="#">applicable guidance</a>.</p>		
Screening	<p>Yes, screening applies in all instances for anyone entering the home</p>				
<sup>1</sup> Source Control	<p>Yes, face coverings for Staff &amp; Residents Addition of eye protection for Staff</p>		<p>Yes, face coverings for Staff &amp; Residents</p>		
Quarantine for Resident / Client Post-Exposure	<p>Yes, 14-day quarantine recommended</p>				

<b>Quarantine for Staff Post -Exposure</b>	Yes, 14-day quarantine recommended if staff warrant quarantine via risk assessment guidelines (see "Exposure Investigation Checklist: <a href="http://maineinfectionpreventionforum.org/">http://maineinfectionpreventionforum.org/</a> )			
<b>Minimum Testing Frequency Guidance</b>	<i>Follow testing guidance from Maine CDC Outbreak Investigator</i>	<b>High Positivity Rate &gt;10%</b>	<b>Medium Positivity Rate 5 - 10%</b>	<b>Low Positivity Rate &lt;5%</b>
		Twice a week	Once a week	Twice a month

<sup>1</sup>**Group A:** Nursing Facilities, ICF/IIDs, Facilities designated as Alzheimer’s/Dementia Care, PNMI/Residential Care Facilities/Assisted Living Facilities that are part of Multi-Level Complexes with Nursing Facilities, PNMI Appendix C Facilities (for Adults with High Functional/Medical Needs)

<sup>2</sup>**Source Control:** refers to the use of face coverings to cover a person’s mouth and nose to prevent the spread of respiratory secretions when they are talking, sneezing, or coughing. A facility may elect based on risk assessment and specific circumstances to include eye protection for healthcare workers (a.k.a staff), as a part of routine source control in any level of community transmission. Noted, eye protection and other appropriate PPE should be donned at any time there is reasonable expectation of exposure to respiratory droplets or other bodily fluids, per Standard Precautions. Note that this level of source control is required for all federally certified facilities.

Note, guidance subject to change.