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AMARILLO AREA PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

Public Health Notice

Due to the current COVID-19 outbreak, all nursing facilities and long-term care facilities in Potter and Randall County, Texas are required to comply with the following:

- Follow HHSC guidelines regarding visitors, volunteers, and other personnel (e.g., barbers, hair stylists, nail technicians).
- Follow HHSC guidelines regarding testing of staff and residents.
- All staff and health care personnel will be screened for symptoms and fever prior to entering. Anyone with symptoms consistent with COVID-19, a fever (greater than 100 F) or a fever within the last 24 hours may not enter.
- All staff must wear a surgical mask in the facility.
- All staff must wear appropriate PPE when within 6 feet of a resident; mask/respirator, eye protection, etc. (according to HHSC guidance).
- Staff must practice social distancing while in the facility, including breaks and meals.
- Staff who work at another long-term care facility or hospital must not change the cohort type they care for from one facility to another.
- Staff are required to monitor themselves for symptoms and report any symptoms or exposures to persons with COVID-19 to their employer as soon as possible.
- All visiting providers (e.g., Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, x-ray, lab, Respiratory Therapists, Hospice etc.) must wear full PPE to include gown, gloves, mask/respirator, and goggles.

These restrictions are in effect until April 30, 2021 or until the Local Public Health Authority lifts these restrictions.

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Local Health Authority

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