

November 2020- Covid -19 Holiday Gathering Recommendations

Coronavirus (which causes Covid- 19) continues to impact the daily lives of all and will impact the way we celebrate the upcoming Holidays.

We are constantly reviewing the current information/recommendations regarding the pandemic and the risk it poses to clients/staff. It is especially critical to be preventative as we gather for the holidays. Preventative measures remain a key factor in decreasing the amount of exposure and preventing a domino effect. Keeping clients and staff safe and healthy remains our primary goal.

The Holidays are a time when many families traditionally travel and gather to celebrate together. Traveling and gatherings increase the risk of getting or spreading Covid -19. Staying at home is the best way to protect yourself and others. **Please see attached information from the CDC** regarding the risk involved & the expectations and guidelines to follow if you decide to gather.

In addition to the CDC guidelines, *LIFEDesigns* has developed Infection control Guidelines /expectations for COVID-19 and LOA (leave of absence)

Infection control Guidelines- COVID

Prior to visit:

- Family/responsible party will have quarantined for 14 days **or** recent negative Covid test (&. quarantined from the time the COVID test sample obtained)
- Completed cleaning and disinfecting of said responsible party's setting location of gathering/visit.
- responsible party has available supplies to keep everyone safe: soap/water, hand sanitizer (at least 60% alcohol), paper towels, tissues, cleaning supplies, disposables feed service items, additional face mask.

Upon arrival to setting: Parent/guardian/Responsible party will complete Covid screening via the Active monitoring sheet.

During visit: Follow the attached CDC guidelines for Hosting gathering and Holidays. (refer to attached)

Post visit:

- Monitor for 14 days (initiate client Resp. flow sheet)

I am happy to report that no clients of LIFEDesigns have tested positive for Covid -19. This is a direct result of the continued efforts of our dedicated staff and the protective measures that are in place.

Wishing everyone a SAFE and HAPPY holiday season.