Updated Guidance: Visiting Loved Ones in Long-Term Care Transcript

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[Onscreen Text] Updated Guidance: Visiting Loved Ones in Long-Term Care

[Maria] Hello, my name is Maria with the Minnesota Department of Health.

I'm going to walk through with you the latest guidance for visiting, and even getting a hug, from loved ones living in long-term care facilities.

COVID-19 vaccines and the slowing of infection are making it possible to safely expand visits bringing long-term care residents and their family and friends together.

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Long-term care residents are now able to gather with others and residents who are fully vaccinated can hug their visitors. Residents and their visitors will need to wear a mask and make sure to wash their hands before and after the visit.

While indoor visits are allowed, outdoor visits are still preferred, when possible, because there is generally a lower risk of spreading COVID-19.

The ability of a long-term care facility to have visitors can change so visitors should call ahead before their visit to learn more.

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