Individuals who become close contacts of a positive or probable case of COVID-19 may not be able to access an AHS or Covenant site for a period of time after being exposed. AHS has established an application process for close contacts who are asymptomatic and need an exemption from access restrictions to visit a patient who is critically ill or at the end-of-life.

**Note:** If the applicant (or anyone they have included in their application) become symptomatic or COVID-19 positive they are not eligible to enter the site even with an approved exemption as they are required to isolate under public health [CMOH Order 39-2021](#).

As part of the exemption application process, the applicant requires a site administrator to complete the [Safe Site Access for Visitors Under Compassionate Exemption](#) with the applicant as well as have the applicant sign this attestation.

All individuals applying must agree to the following terms prior to the site administrator taking the application to site command post or designate for adjudication.

Confirm you understand and agree to the following access requirements:

- You acknowledge there is a risk of exposure to COVID-19 (for self and others) when you are identified as a close contact;
- Your visit may be delayed or cancelled by the site administrator if the designated site is unable to support the visit due to clinical acuity, outbreak status change or grossly insufficient resources;
  - Note: Visitation should not be cancelled but may be delayed due to outbreak status change or grossly insufficient resources;
- You must assess your health leading up to and on the day(s) of the scheduled visit(s), and if you become aware that you have a confirmed case of COVID-19 or exhibit COVID-19-like symptoms you must isolate as per [CMOH Order 39-2021](#);
- You will be required to complete a health screening prior to entering the designated site;
- You will be given a dated visitor sticker that you must wear every time you visit;
- You will be given personal protective equipment (PPE) which you must wear at all times in the healthcare site, including in the room and during the visit;
- You will only be permitted to go from the site entrance to visit in a designated location and must inform the unit when you complete your visit. You will leave the building immediately upon completion;
- If you begin to experience any COVID-19 like symptoms, you will leave the building immediately and notify the site promptly by telephone that you developed symptoms during your visit;
- You will maintain a minimum of two metres distance from others, including the individual that you are visiting;
- You will perform hand hygiene when entering and leaving the site and when entering and leaving the patient’s/resident’s room.
I confirm that I have reviewed these requirements, that I will abide by them and that should I not do so, the Exemption may be terminated.

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Signature  Date

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Printed Name