

Covenant of Care

The following covenant of care is agreed upon by all who enter this facility.

I will wear a mask, because masks reduce my ability to spread germs. I cannot know for certain that I am not infected and contagious, nor can I know everyone who is vulnerable just by looking at them. Though cloth masks may only be minimally effective at protecting me, I will wear one so that I can protect others.

I will sanitize or wash my hands, especially after using the restroom or touching commonly used surfaces, such as a door handle or a handrail, and any time I touch my face or facemask. I do this to minimize the chance of sharing germs through the surfaces I touch.

I will stay physically distanced whenever possible, maintaining a minimum of six feet between myself and anyone not from my household. I do this to minimize the possibility of spreading contagions. If I will be around people for an extended period, especially in a space with stagnant air, I will work at maintaining even greater distance than six feet.

I will avoid touching others. As much as I may want to shake hands, hug, or otherwise engage in human contact, I know that these activities are not safe with people beyond my household at this time.

I will not block the flow of traffic, avoiding standing in doorways and or stopping along pathways others are trying to use. If someone asks me to move or clearly wants to go through an area I'm blocking, I will gladly move to allow them through.

I will not enter if I or anyone in my household feels sick, especially if anyone has a temperature of 100.4° or more or has other symptoms of COVID-19. For the sake of my neighbor, I will wait until everyone in my household has been healthy for a whole week before returning.

I will not enter if I or anyone in my household has had contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, waiting two full weeks before returning.

I will let leaders know if I or anyone in my household is diagnosed with COVID-19 after having visited this facility, along with when I visited, so that effective contact tracing may occur and others who may have been exposed to the virus can be informed.

I will not enter if I cannot abide by this covenant. Because sometimes the best way I can love my neighbor is by staying away from them until we are able to be together again safely.

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

(Leviticus 19:18)

quoted by Jesus as one of the two greatest commandments

I agree to this covenant of care as an act of love for my neighbor. To the best of my ability, I will love my neighbor as I love myself.