The Rose Road Association - Oaks & Acorns - July 2021 Risk Assessment Guide

Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 must stay at home and arrange to be tested before returning to Respite.

	 The Respite environment has been carefully risk assessed in order for Respite to stay open for all families. The Government has confirmed that overnight Respite should remain open throughout COVID-19. Where necessary and when advised by commissioners a maximum capacity of service users accessing the setting may be identified and supported, resulting in a decrease of users using the setting.
IF SOMEONE BECOMES ILL	 If a young person/adult becomes unwell during their visit they will be isolated with a member of staff wearing full PPE until they are collected by family. The young person/adult will need to isolate and take a PCR test. Only after a negative PCR test may the young person/adult return to Respite. If a staff member becomes unwell, the staff member will be sent home immediately to isolate, pending a PCR result and will not return to work until a negative test result has been evidenced. All areas of any symptomatic young people/staff will be deep cleaned and "fogged".
SOCIAL DISTANCING	 It is not possible to meet care needs or support our young people/adults whilst maintaining social distancing. Where possible young people/adults will be supported to adhere to social distancing measures from each other but this again is not always possible. Staff should maintain social distancing with each other where possible.
TESTING	 All Respite staff are engaging in a programme of twice weekly testing using fast lateral flow tests twice a week and a PCR test once a week.

INFECTION PROTECTION + CONTROL	 All staff will wash hands regularly and have access to hand sanitizer at all times. Appropriate PPE is available throughout Respite. All staff must wear a face mask and additional PPE (aprons, gloves, visors) for personal care and feeding. All young people/adults are encouraged to build hand washing into their routines in Respite. Staff are allocated cleaning responsibilities throughout the day. A cleaner is employed to support with cleaning tasks. All staff and services users have a risk assessment tailored to their personal needs. All staff, young people/adults and visitors will take their temperature using a contact free thermometer. All areas will be well vented (doors and windows open) when safe to do so.
	 All families and staff <u>must</u> keep Respite informed if they themselves or a member of their household is presenting with COVID like symptoms and/or tested positive for COVID. All families and staff must use available testing procedures. If any of our services users are in contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID they must isolate unless, they are double vaccinated. If double vaccinated the young person/adult t may return to Respite after a negative PCR result, and will have to lateral flow test for 10 days, including throughout their Respite - (Respite/Rose Road are unable to carry out this task).
VISITORS TO RESPITE	 Visitors are being kept to a minimal and are being asked to complete lateral flow tests before entering the Respite setting. Where possible visits will take place virtually. PPE will be made available for anyone needing direct contact with young people/adults.
VACCINATIONS	 All staff are strongly advised to have the COVID-19 vaccination.