

F172 Visitation Rights

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Objectives

- Obtain a basic understanding of the new changes to the regulation related to visitation rights
- Review the Resident Visitation Rights Policy

Introduction

- The nursing home Requirements of Participation (RoP) are the regulations that set minimum standards for nursing homes.
- The Final Rule was published in October 2016.
- The changes in regulations go into effect over the next three years, in phases.



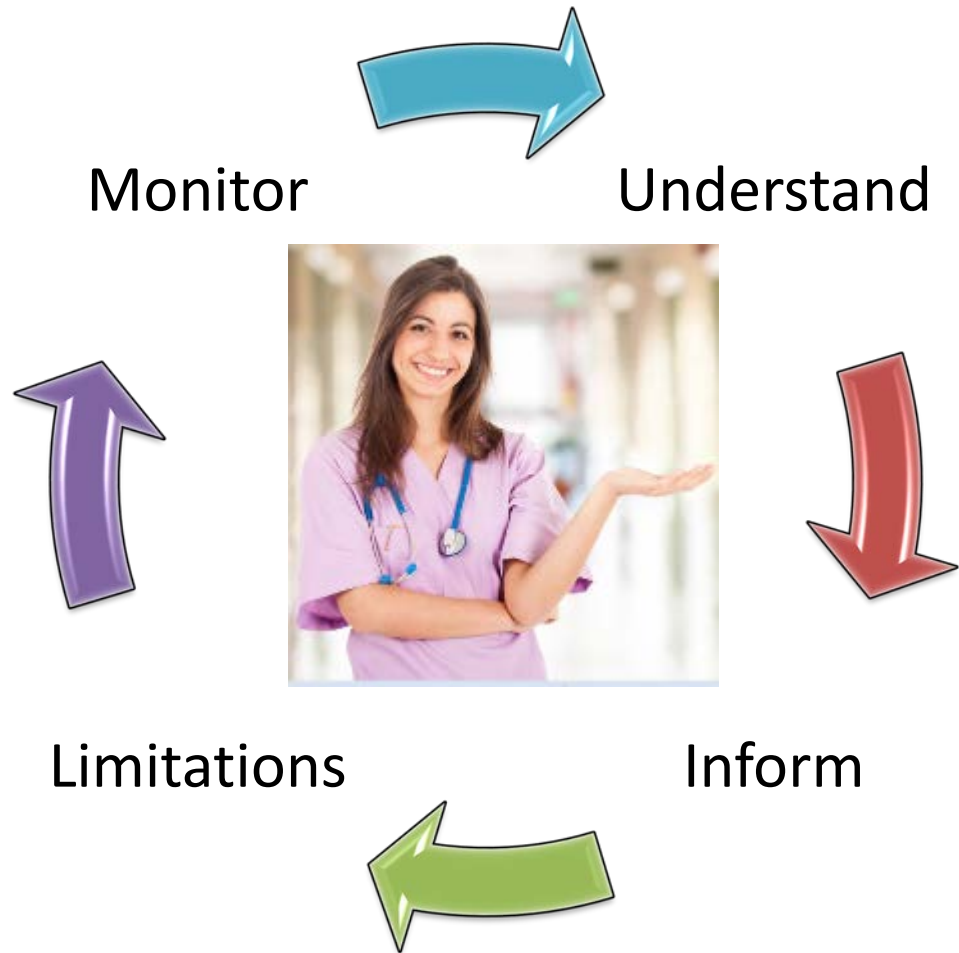
Overview of the Regulation

§483.10(f)(4) The resident has a right *to receive visitors of his or her choosing at the time of his or her choosing*, subject to the resident's right to deny visitation when applicable, and in a manner that does not impose on the rights of another resident.



Facility Response

- Understand
- Inform
- Limitations
- Monitor



Understand – Visitation Rights

- Who can visit/who needs to be provided immediate access to any resident?
 - Any representative of the Secretary
 - Any representative of the State
 - Any representative of the Office of the State Long Term Care Ombudsman



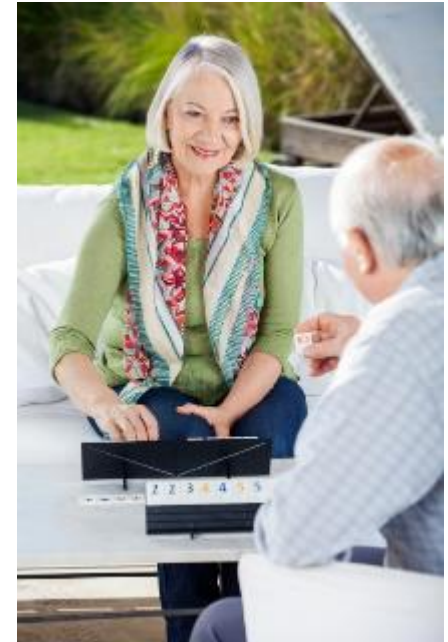
Understand – Visitation Rights

- Who can visit/who needs to be provided immediate access to any resident?
 - Resident's individual physician
 - Any representative of the protection and advocacy system as designated by the State and as established under the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Acts of 2000



Understand – Visitation Rights

- Who can visit/who needs to be provided immediate access to any resident?
 - Any representative of the agency responsible for the protection and advocacy system for individuals with Mental Disorder
 - Resident representative



Inform

- Visitation will not be restricted, limited or otherwise denied based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, or disability.
- Ensure that all visitors enjoy full and equal visitation privileges consistent with resident preferences.



Inform

- Inform each resident or representative of visitation rights, the facility policy and procedure, and the reason for any restriction or limitations.
- Inform each resident of the right, subject to his or her consent, to receive visitors



Limitations

- Clinical
- Safety Restrictions
- Location of visit
- Withdrawal of consent
- Concerns – Grievance Process



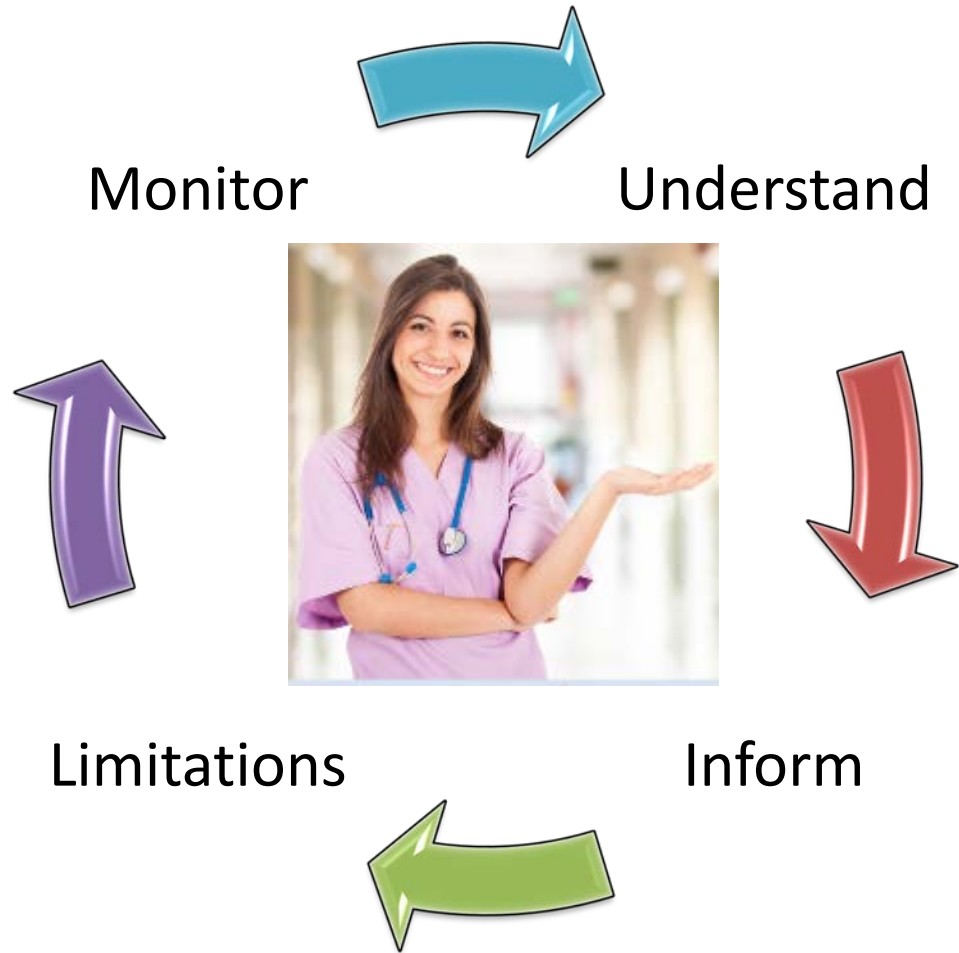
Monitor

- Resident Interviews
- Resident Council
- Satisfaction Surveys
- Problem/Concern Process
- Observations
- QAPI



Summary

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Questions?

Resources:

"SOM - Appendix PP." *SOM - Appendix PP*. CMS, n.d. Web.
<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertificationGenInfo/Downloads/Survey-and-Cert-Letter-17-07.pdf>

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