



State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health
Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities
Central Louisiana Supports and Services Center

July 12, 2023

RE: CLSSC Procedure Revision

Dear Employee,

This is notification that a procedure, CLSSC-CL SERV 015-05 Visitation revised effective 07/12/2023 in our CLSSC Procedure Manual. The procedure is **ATTACHED BELOW** as well. Please reference procedure name and number:

PROCEDURE NAME	PROCEDURE NUMBER	REVISED DATE
Visitation	CLSSC-CL SERV 015-05	07/12/2023jn

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the above procedure revision.

I also acknowledge that it is my responsibility to comply with all procedures set forth by Central Louisiana Supports and Services Center. It is also my responsibility to direct any and all questions I may have with my direct supervisor.


I also acknowledge that it is my responsibility to comply with all Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) policies which can be found at <https://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/3051> and all procedures set forth by Central Louisiana Supports and Services Center. I understand it is my responsibility as an employee to frequently check for updates regarding the LDH policies and CLSSC procedures as these may be amended frequently. It is also my responsibility to direct any and all questions I may have with my direct supervisor.

EMPLOYEE'S PRINTED NAME

EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE

EMPLOYEE ID#

DATE

Title: Visitation	
 LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	Central Louisiana Supports and Services Center
Procedure Number:	CLSSC.CL SERV 015-05
Content:	Guideline for visitation
Effective Date:	
Reviewed:	
Revised:	11/17/21, 06/07/23, 07/12/23 CLSSC
Approved By:	Kristy Flynn
Inquiries to	Active Treatment Department

CENTRAL LOUISIANA SUPPORTS AND SERVICES CENTER

SUBJECT: Visitation

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

Central Louisiana Supports and Services Center will support residents to maintain their natural support networks during their admission to the facility by promoting and encouraging visitation between residents and their family members, friends, and guardians. The facility will maintain compliance with Federal and State regulations regarding visitation.

POLICY:

Residents will be provided the opportunity to communicate, associate and meet privately with individuals of their choice and that space will be provided for residents to receive visitors in reasonable comfort and privacy. Residents and their visitors shall have the right to consensual nonsexual physical contact such as hand holding and/or hugging during visits at the facility.

Residents 18 years or older who are legally competent majors may designate those individuals who will not be denied access to visit him/her in-person while he/she is a resident of the facility.

In accordance with R.S. 40:2180.2, that the facility may allow any close family member or legal representative of a resident of the facility to visit the resident during any state of public health emergency.

When it is necessary to implement provisions to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the facility's residents and staff, the facility will implement such provisions as are necessary based on the situation necessitating the implementation of such provisions. However, the provisions will not include requiring visitors to submit proof of any vaccination or immunization.

Procedures have been developed to provide instruction to facility staff regarding operationalization of this policy.

Central Louisiana shall make its visitation policy and procedure available for review by the Louisiana Department of Health at any time, upon request.

Reference(s): State Operations Manual Appendix J—Guidance to Surveyors: Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (Revision 178, 04/13/18)
Act No. 367 of the Louisiana Legislature 2023 Regular Session.

Effective Date: _____

Kristy Flynn
MR/DD Administrator-