

Resuming Hair Salons in Long-Term Care Facilities

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Recommendations include those residents who are COVID negative and those, such as dialysis residents, with weekly scheduled appointments that require them to remain in quarantine.

Recommendations exclude residents newly admitted or readmitted (14-day quarantine), and residents suspected or positive for COVID-19. Hair salons can resume providing services to residents with the following precautions in place:

- Services must be provided by a New Mexico licensed hairdresser or barber.
- Salon staff should be screened daily on arrival (symptom/temp check), and sick staff, or those with known exposures should not report to work.
- Appointments should limit one resident and one hairdresser in the salon at a time (shared equipment should be cleaned and disinfected following professional standards and licensing requirements).
- The time between clients 15 minutes to ensure area and equipment is cleaned and disinfected between resident appointments.
- Salon personnel must be tested for COVID-19 as part of standard surveillance testing of facility personnel.
- Residents must wear a mask while in the salon.
- Salon personnel wear a mask, face shield or goggles when providing services.
- Perform hand hygiene before contact with residents.
- The facility must not be identified as having an outbreak (outbreak in long-term care facilities is identified as one or more new positive cases of either staff or resident in the facility).