

## WEEKLY UPDATE April 1, 2021

Dear Residents and Families/Representatives,

Please accept this letter as our weekly update regarding the status of COVID-19 in our facility. We have had 1 newly identified case of COVID-19 that was identified on 3/28/21. Our cumulative total number of identified cases of COVID-19 in our facility is 95 for residents and 32 for staff members. Testing for all residents and staff completed on 3/29, 3/30, and 3/31/21 resulted in no new cases of COVID-19.

We will continue to perform routine testing for identification of COVID-19 for our staff twice a week as directed by state and federal authorities.

We are offering outdoor visitation at this time on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and alternating Saturday and Sundays. Please call our main line to schedule a time.

We are offering limited indoor visitation for residents that have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccination, with at least 14 days having passed since the second dose. For example, if a resident has an indoor visit scheduled for April 6th, the resident would have to have had their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccination no later than March 23<sup>rd</sup>. These visits will be in our Activities Room, will be limited to 2 visitors at a time and will be scheduled for 30 minutes. Please call our main line to schedule a time. As a reminder, you can schedule video chats by calling our main line.

Residents, regardless of their COVID-19 vaccination status, wishing to leave the facility to go out anywhere other than a doctor's appointment, must be quarantined for 14 days in the designated quarantine area of the facility after they return. We cannot guarantee that resident will return to original room after end of 14-day quarantine. The exception to the 14-day quarantine requirement would be if a resident has had COVID-19 and recovered in the previous 90 days.

As always, we are working hard to keep everyone in our community safe and we will continue to practice the enhanced safety precautions that are known to prevent the spread of COVID-19, such as only essential personnel are allowed inside the facility and we screen them for signs and symptoms of illness prior to entering. Our residents are continually monitored and staff is using PPE as recommended by the CDC. Staff is frequently reminded and encouraged to practice social distancing and to use hand sanitizer and frequently wash their hands when they are in the facility and out in the community. We ask them not to report to work if they have symptoms of illness.

Please continue to check our website for weekly updates as well as notification of new cases. We will notify you if we receive confirmation of a new positive case in our facility and we will reach out to you individually if your loved one is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us directly at 864-288-1415

Sincerely,

Kirk Broome Administrator