



September 17, 2021 Update

Residents/Family/Friends/Staff,

Happy to share some much-awaited updates!

Updated CMS Quarantine Protocol: Going forward, only UNVACCINATED Residents identified as a close contact during contact tracing will be subject to a 14-day quarantine. We are relieved that guidance overseeing the LTC industry is now inline with recommendations for the rest of the country as it pertains to possible covid exposures.

Updated CMS Outbreak Testing: Going forward only Residents and Staff identified as a close contact (15-minute exposure in 24 hours) will be incorporated in the three-step outbreak testing process.

Updated CMS Positivity Tracking: The CMS positivity table is no longer being published to rate community transmission for LTC facilities. Instead, the CDC COVID-19 Integrated County View is used for this purpose, as is the case for routine testing of unvaccinated staff. All Ohio counties continue to be red (high spread) today. This tool is more reflective of real time data than what was previously utilized and offers a plethora of interesting data for our local community. The positivity rate is currently 11.58% for Hamilton County. <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>

Caution While Near Building: Until further notice, please be cautious while entering/exiting the facility as we are in the process of having the entire roof replaced. Residents will only be permitted to utilize covered outdoor spaces while there is a risk of shingles and nails falling from above (porch and front portico). Our Maintenance staff will be using a magnet roller around the facility twice a day however due to the sheer size of our roof, it is very important that everyone be cautious and not loiter outside near the facility until this project has been completed.

Help Keep Us Covid Free: If you are experiencing any symptoms of an upper respiratory infection or have been around someone who has been sick, please stay away from the facility as the symptoms for covid-19 continue to evolve.

Covid-19 Status: We have had no known positive resident cases of COVID-19. We encourage Residents to resume wearing facial coverings indoors as recommended by the CDC due to the delta variant regardless of vaccination status.

As always if you have any questions/comments/concerns please contact me, Scot Harmon (Administrator) or Patricia Clark (CEO).