

September 12, 2021

Dear Residents and Families:

One employee tested positive for COVID-19 and is being quarantined at home. In accordance with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services guidance that was revised on 9/10/21, we will conduct outbreak testing based on contact tracing and the identification of close contacts. We must halt visitation until we conduct one round of staff and resident testing that had close contact with the COVID-19 positive individual and determine that the virus is contained and that we have no new or additional COVID-19 cases.

The fourth floor is the affected unit. We will be taking the following precautions to mitigate the spread of COVID-19:

- Visitation has been halted. The Interdisciplinary Team will continue to evaluate compassionate care visits on a case-by-case basis.
- All staff and residents with close contact with the positive COVID-19 case, regardless of vaccination status, will be tested for COVID-19 twice a week for at least 14 days from the last positive case.
- All direct care staff on 4<sup>th</sup> floor will upgrade standard PPE to include eye protection and N95 masks.
- New admissions will be halted.
- All activities and communal dining (with the exception of residents that need supervision) will be put on hold on 4<sup>th</sup> floor.
- We conduct a rigorous sanitation regimen that follows, and in some cases exceeds, all state and federal guidelines.
- All staff and residents will continue to follow the Core Principles of COVID-19 Infection Prevention (screening for symptoms, hand hygiene, face masks, cleaning and disinfection high touch surfaces, appropriate use of PPE, effective cohorting of residents, and resident and staff testing)

Our Campus Communication Hotline is updated with visitation and testing status. Due to the rapid changes and unknowns, we highly recommend that you call this hotline prior to visitation. The number is 262-335-4599.

Thank you for your continued understanding and patience during this challenging time. We will update you on the visitation status as soon as we receive our first round of outbreak testing results back. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Stay safe and healthy!

Taya Walk, Campus Administrator