

July 17, 2020

Dear Residents and Families of Samaritan Campus,

I hope this letter finds you well as we are happy to say that we **continue to not have any positive cases of COVID-19** on our campus. Both our residents and staff are taking the necessary precautions to help us remain a Covid free facility. The major precautions our staff have been, and continue to take, are good hand hygiene, infection prevention and wearing masks and personal protective equipment (PPE). Our residents are encouraged to wear mask any time they are in a public area such as the halls and our fun events such as our parades which have and are taking place. This can take some coaxing – but we are all trying to protect each other!

We have two parades this upcoming week which will take place in the front of our building.

Wednesday July 22nd for 3rd floor families

Thursday July 23rd for 2nd and 4th floor families

The RCAC and CBRF parade was a success with even some community groups such as American Legion Riders joining in on the fun! This is a fun safe way to see your family member(s) and encourage all to come. You can sign up by calling social services at 335-4523. This helps us make sure that your family member knows you are coming and they are there to see you!

To ensure that we are doing our diligence to keep our residents safe we will be starting mandatory Covid-19 testing for all of our staff members this next week. We anticipate that we will be doing this on a “regular basis” based on the availability of testing kits and results being timely. We are following the State and CDC recommendations.

Our caring staff understand the importance of protecting our vulnerable population and each other. We look at this as a small act of selflessness that can and will benefit the greater-good.

This week we continued with our patio visits, which has brightened the spirits of both our residents and staff members. This is a safe way to reconnect you with your loved one during these trying times. **To schedule a patio visit please call 262-335-4500.**

The visits take place in the back our main building on the back patio. Visitors can park in the back parking lot and walk-up to the patio. You can reach this back area by entering the drive to the east of our main parking lot. There are four red tents set up indicating the four areas where the visits take place. We encourage visitors to bring their own chair, mask and an umbrella for shade We have reserved the two end areas for visitor with mobility restrictions. If you require one of these areas, you can drive your vehicle up the driveway and park right next to the patio.

As we continue to learn we must adapt. Starting next week, we will now be doing a short questionnaire and temperature check prior to all visits. We are also trying to limit the amount of “gifts” that are being exchanged during these visits. We have a drop-off location in our front lobby for all items such as meals and large gifts. These are sanitized prior to bringing them to the resident. **Masks must be worn by both the resident and family members during these visits.**

Our beautician is set to go following our all staff testing next week. We want to get her in here as soon as possible! We all know that some of these residents haven't seen their hair this long in ages! Staff have been pitching in to help!

Reminder that email is our main form of communication. If you have a family member that would like to receive this information weekly, please call so we can get this to them or they can go to our website: www.samaritancampus.com where all of our letters are stored.

Once again thank you for your loving words and kind hearts. We know this isn't easy but we can and will get through this together.

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