

# Director of Health Care Services Update



**TO:** All Residents, Responsible Parties of Assisted Living and Health Care Center Residents and Team Members

**FROM:** Nicole Scherr, Director of Healthcare Services

**DATE:** Friday, June 17, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Assisted Living and Health Care Center Coronavirus Update

I am pleased to announce we have not had additional COVID-19 cases since last week's positive case. For our outbreak to close, we must not have additional cases for two consecutive weeks. Our outbreak status in the Health Care Center and assisted living remains open.

The health care team continues to be tested twice a week as required when the community transmission rate is high (i.e. red).

Programming, visiting and dining guidelines remain the same for residents, and they may attend independent living dining and programming.

The following are our community's case counts.

**Active Cases:**

Residential Living: 1

Health Care: 0

Assisted Living: 0

Team Members: 0

The following are reminders of practices and procedures for **health care** to remain in compliance with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' guidance and the Maryland Department of Health's secretary's orders.

**Assisted Living and Health Care Center Visitors**

Visitors are permitted in assisted living and the Health Care Center. Visitors who are experiencing COVID-19-like symptoms or have confirmed exposure should refrain from visiting. Refer to the Centers of

Per MDoH guidelines, **all Health Care Center visitors**, regardless of vaccination status, need to provide proof of a negative test result within 72 hours prior to visiting. Visitors who do not have access to testing can obtain a test kit from us to test themselves at home prior to visiting or in their car the day of visiting.

**Independent living residents** who are visiting assisted living and Health Care Center residents need to sign in via Accushield, for tracking and regulatory purposes. Proof of a negative test is needed 72 hours prior to visiting a Health Care Center resident. Tests can be provided by contacting the health care team.

Testing requirements **do not apply** to assisted living visitors.

Visitors who refuse to test off-site or at the community will need to wear a mask and physically distance per the CMS and CDC's guidelines.

Look for weekly communications, which will include an active case count list.

Contact Nicole Scherr at [nscherr@millersgrant.org](mailto:nscherr@millersgrant.org) or 410-696-6782 with any questions.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this time.

