

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 24, 2022

SUBJECT: Assisted Living and Health Care Center Coronavirus Update

Our outbreak status in assisted living and the Health Care Center closed today.

The health care team continues to be tested twice a week, which is 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:

Independent Living: 3

Health Care: 0

Assisted Living: 0

Team Members: 0

The following are reminders of practice and procedures for **health care** to remain in compliance with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' guidance and 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 Disease Control and Preventions [Symptoms of COVID-19](#).

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.

Contact Nicole Scherr at nscherr@millersgrant.org or 410-696-6782 with any questions. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this time.

