

## 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 January 19th  
**SUBJECT:** Assisted Living and Health Care Center COVID-19 Update

### **COVID-19 Update**

Since my last update, we had another team member who works in assisted living and the Health Care Center test positive for COVID-19. Please keep the team member in your thoughts and prayers. This means our outbreak status will remain open until there are no new cases for two consecutive weeks. Contact tracing has been completed.

Maryland Health Department is tracking weekly respiratory virus-associated hospitalization rates including COVID-19, influenza and RSV. If the rate exceeds 10 hospitalizations per 100,000 residents, MDH highly encourages facility-wide source control. Currently, the rate is at 10.8. Tracking data is available [online](#).

After our outbreak closes, we will use review the tracking data to help us decide if masks can be lifted for team members.

The following are our community's case counts.

**Active Cases:**

Independent Living: 0

Assisted Living: 0

Health Care Center: 0

Team Members: 0

The following are reminders of practices and procedures for assisted living and the Health Care Center to remain in compliance with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' guidance and Maryland Department of Health's secretary's orders:

- Visitation is permitted but social distancing is highly encouraged regardless of vaccination status.
- All visitors are highly encouraged to wear a mask when visiting.
- Visitors who are experiencing any symptoms, listed on the [CDC's website](#), should refrain from visiting their loved ones.

Weekly updates will be provided on new COVID-19 cases and outbreak status. Questions can be directed to myself at [nscherr@millersgrant.org](mailto:nscherr@millersgrant.org) or 410-696-6782.



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