

To: **Dunwoody Village Residents, Families and Staff**

From: **Kathy Barton, Director of Operations**
Brandon Jolly, Director of Health Services

Re: **CONTINUED UPDATE RE: COVID-19**



December 29, 2020

General Updates:

Vaccine Updates:

On Wednesday, December 19th, I received emails from CVS Pharmacy, Dunwoody's partner in administering Covid-19 Vaccines to our Community through the Federal Government Program, "Operation Warp Speed." I was advised of two dates when CVS Pharmacy **tentatively** plans to be on site at Dunwoody to begin administering Covid-19 Vaccines to Care Center residents and staff before the end of the year. We are unsure of the vaccine manufacturer at this point, but we do expect it will be one of the vaccines requiring a second booster, approximately 20 days after the first dose has been administered. In the email that I received from CVS, they stated that someone would be contacting me soon with further details and to confirm dates for on-site vaccination to begin. Please note: Care Center residents and staff have been prioritized for vaccination by the government. Dunwoody Village will advocate to have our independent living residents be included in this priority vaccination, however, at this time we don't know the government's plan for independent residents living in senior communities like ours. We will fight for your inclusion for priority vaccination. **Receiving the emails from CVS Pharmacy was very encouraging; however, as of the writing of the update we have not received the call from CVS to confirm when vaccination will start.**

We are rapidly approaching a vaccine everyone! Please don't let your guard down through the holidays. Please continue to wear a mask diligently when you're out and about, wash your hands more than you feel is necessary and socially distance when visiting family and friends.

On behalf of myself and all Care Center staff we wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Brandon Jolly
Director of Health Services

Care Center Updates: COVID-19 Testing and Guidelines:

County Positivity Rate:

Delaware County's Covid-19 Positivity Rate remains above 10%, currently at 11.6%. Delaware County will remain in a "red-level" of risk for Covid-19 until the County positivity rate drops below 10%. Many surrounding counties have much higher positivity rates. Additionally, we have seen a significant increase in the number of residents and staff testing positive for Covid-19. The number of positive cases being seen in area hospitals, the number of cases in area Critical Care Units and the number of deaths in the hospitals have also been increasing at an alarming rate.

Status of Positive Cases in the Care Center:

We currently have a total of (7) Covid positive residents in the skilled center on three units: Dundale, Pavilion and Patten. The units are closed to all access, except for essential staff needed to provide care to residents on the units. All three units are currently under strict infection control precautions. Please continue your thoughts and prayers for those whom have not yet recovered.

In personal care on December 23, 2020, the one Woodlea Unit resident who tested positive was moved to a skilled unit where other positive resident cases already existed.

No additional staff have been identified with positive test results since the last update.

The Care Center is very focused on routine disinfecting, personal protective equipment compliance and hand-washing with staff and residents

Testing:

Each week through the New Year we will be testing all staff and all Care Center residents.

Residential Updates:

Status of Positive Cases:

Effective Wednesday, December 23, 2020, and until further notice, any residential resident who is discharged from skilled to his or her residential home will be quarantined for 7 days and will be Covid-19 tested on the 5th day of the quarantine.

One East Country House resident previously tested positive remains in isolation and is being monitored. Residents in CH-110, through CH-118 have been asked to quarantine for 14 days as of Friday, December 18th.

All live programs previously scheduled are cancelled until further notice. All group gatherings are currently cancelled.

Beauty Shop:

Due to a delay in cabinetry being installed, the new Beauty Salon will not be ready until February 1, 2021. We will provide a welcome letter and a brochure listing services and prices in January 2021. Karen McArdle and Dina Silvano will be staying at Dunwoody and will work for the new Beauty Salon, Matura. More information to come!

HOUSEKEEPING Holiday Schedule:

New Year's Schedule (Week of 12/28 – 1/01):

Monday regularly scheduled residents WILL receive services.

Tuesday regularly scheduled residents WILL receive services.

Wednesday regularly scheduled residents will NOT receive housekeeping services but will receive linens.

Thursday regularly scheduled residents will receive services WEDNESDAY.

Friday regularly scheduled residents will receive services THURSDAY.

No services will be scheduled for New Year's Day, Friday, January 1st.

DINING Holiday Schedule:

New Year's Eve – regular dinner service time

New Year's Day – 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Fill out your menu choices as you currently do. To-Go meal service cannot be offered until current restrictions are lifted. If you would like a Holiday meal and are not on the meal plan, the meal cost is \$15.00. Please notify us of any change in your plans as soon as possible.

Holiday Travel:

If you plan to spend the holiday with family or friends or join them for a holiday meal, please let Health & Wellness know that you will be off campus by calling 610-359-4417. According to Dunwoody policy, upon return you are required to quarantine in your home residence for 14 days.

Travel Restrictions – PA Department of Health: www.PA.gov

By Order issued November 17, 2020, as of 12:01 a.m. Friday, November 20, 2020: Travelers entering PA from other countries or states as well as Pennsylvanians who are returning home from other countries or states are required to have a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours prior to entering the Commonwealth of PA or quarantine for 14 days upon entry into PA. Individuals travelling for work, medical reasons, or military order are exempt. This travel restriction to and from ALL states remains in effect until further notice.