

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

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



February 22, 2021

Care Center Updates:

County Positivity Rate:

Delaware County's Covid-19 Positivity Rate is now below 10% and as of 2/22/21 stands at 6.8%. The number of cases in Delaware County continues to decline, but the decline has been extremely gradual. Delaware County is in a "yellow-level" of risk because the positivity rate is now below 10%, but above the 5% threshold to move Delaware County to a "green-level". The number of cases being seen in area hospitals also continues to slowly decline.

Status of Positive Cases in the Care Center:

We currently have a total of 0 "Active", Covid positive residents in the skilled center. No residents are currently in the hospital being treated for Covid-19. Our skilled center's last positive case was on 1/25/21 so we are 18 days past our last positive resident test. We must continue to be very careful to avoid exposing our most frail Community residents to unnecessary risk. All skilled nursing units have been moved from a "red level" of risk to a "yellow level" of risk.

No new residents in personal care have tested positive since December 23, 2020. No new staff members have tested positive since 1/28/21.

Testing:

All residents and Care Center staff moved from twice a week testing to once a week testing starting the week of February 15, 2021.

Covid-19 Vaccine:

CVS Pharmacy was on-site on Thursday, January 14 and February 4, 2021 for our first two Care Center resident and employee clinics. Dunwoody will also have a third vaccination clinic for Care Center staff and any new residents who still need the vaccine. The third vaccine clinic is confirmed for 2/25/21.

Care Center Visitation

On Monday, February 15, 2021 we will begin to allow visitors into our two specifically designed "Safe Visiting Areas" by appointment ONLY. Visitors who wish to have visits in the designated Safe Visiting Areas are now required to show proof of a negative Covid-19 test within 7 days of the scheduled visit (within 72 hours of the visit is preferred). It is the visitor's responsibility to obtain their own Covid-19 test and present the test results to the Dunwoody liaison upon arrival, when requested and prior to visiting with a resident. All visitors to the Safe Visiting Areas will be asked to present proof of a negative Covid-19 test at the time that they arrive for screening and the date of the test and results of the test will be recorded by the liaison. If visitors need information about local testing sites, we can provide that information to you at the time when you call to schedule a visit or you can visit <https://www.delcopa.gov/ich/resources/covid19/testing.html#c>. Those visiting

residents who live in the skilled center should follow signage near the Care Center entrance to the Pavilion/Patten "Safe Visiting Area" entrance. Those visiting Cedars East, Leeland and Woodlea residents in personal care should report to the Cedars Reflections Safe Visiting Area located on the West side of Cedars. Please follow signage. Those visiting residents whom live in our Cedars West unit should report the Avalon patio where a Dunwoody liaison will meet you and conduct screening. Visits in our Safe Visiting Areas will be monitored by staff members and visitors must remain in these designated Safe Visiting Areas at all times during a visit. At this time, visits in the Safe Visiting Areas will be limited to one visit by a maximum of two (16 or older only) visitors every 7 days for 30 minutes. Visitors will be required to wear a surgical mask, disposable gown and nitrile gloves, which will be provided by the visitor liaison at the time when the visitor is screened for temperature and signs and symptoms of Covid-19 by the liaison. For weekend visits in our Safe Visiting Areas, we are limiting the number of weekend visits per resident family to ensure that every resident has an opportunity to receive visitors on the weekends. If additional time slots are available on weekends and we are able, we will offer additional visits.

For those wishing to visit a Care Center resident, but who don't want to get a Covid-19 test, we are offering supervised window visits by appointment. These visits will be available as long as weather permits. You will be notified if we have to cancel/reschedule visits due to inclement weather.

To schedule a visit in our Safe Visiting Areas or to schedule a window visit please contact Jennifer Barrall at: 610-359-4503.

Please keep in mind that if we have a new resident positive test or a new employee positive test visitation will again be further restricted.

Residential Updates:

Coffee Service:

As of Monday, February 22, 2021 coffee service and danish are provided in the lobby from 7:45-10:30. This will include coffee, hot tea, and danish. Coffee and danish will be provided to West Country house residents in the laundry room by Door 10 by 8:15am. This will be **Monday through Friday**. Due to a staffing issue, this is what we can do until a new person is hired. Please be sure to wear your mask, use hand sanitizer, and stay socially distanced.

Beauty Shop Tipping:

I know there was a question about getting cash for tipping your hair stylist. We are working on a system where you would be able to tip your stylist on your bill. More information to come – our hope is to start March 1, 2021. We have a few logistics to work out.

Vaccine date:

Just as a reminder, our next resident clinic for the second shot is Thursday March 4th. More information will be available closer to the time, but please set this day aside for this important booster! Our third clinic for people to receive their first vaccine March 4th is tentatively scheduled for March 25.

Town Meeting:

Our town meeting is scheduled for March 3rd at 2pm on 1970. The question form has been sent out and needs to be returned to Josie Singer in Administration by Wednesday, February 24th. This gives staff time to research answers.