

#### January 18, 2022

#### TO OUR GOLDEN OAKS FAMILY

We are pleased to provide the following update to the COVID restrictions.

**COUNTY POSITIVITY RATE:** Garfield County is in the RED with a positivity rate of 44.5%. This is a very high rate. Thankfully, most who contract the current omicron variant are not experiencing severe symptoms; however, this news will necessitate that we take extra precautions for the next few weeks.

#### **DELIVERIES:**

- All delivery personnel must check in at the welcome desk with temp and symptom sheet
- UPS and FED EX will continue to leave packages at the Welcome Center
- All delivery folks are encouraged to wear masks

## **INDEPENDENT LIVING:**

- **RESIDENTS**:
  - o Large activities with non-residents will be suspended until further notice
  - We will continue to hold Church Services; however, masks must be used, and the seating needs to be spaced according to the chair notices in the seats.
  - Large group resident activities will need to observe masking and distancing
  - We will communicate alternative activities soon
  - Residents are strongly encouraged to wear masks in the common areas
  - Residents are strongly encouraged to observe the distancing as identified in the dining area
  - Any resident who becomes COVID positive can either quarantine in their unit or be transferred to the health care setting they best qualify for medically. Please let Jennifer Jackson know if you have tested positive for COVID and we will make sure you understand the protocols.
- VISITORS:
  - All visitors will check in at the welcome desk with temp and symptom sheet.
  - All visitors will be encouraged to wear a Mask while in the common areas
  - Overnight stays in the guest apartments will be approved by the Associate Executive Director or Executive Director
  - Limited to two guest for dining in the atrium

## **HEALTHCARE CENTER:**

- Currently we are in outbreak testing through 01/30 this date will be kicked out if we have any additional employees or residents test positive
- During outbreak testing, the HCC has restricted our residents from "crossing the border" so to speak our residents are not keeping hair appointments or eating in the atrium.
- We DO NOT restrict indoor visitation, guests must still "check in", wear a mask, observe all infection control protocol and must walk directly to the resident's room no meandering about the community.
- Residents are still able to leave campus with family or friends and return within 24 hours without having to quarantine.
- Activities:
- All residents have been vaccinated
- We will not resume in person community tours until our outbreak testing period concludes

# **ASSISTED LIVING:**

- Residents wear their masks to and from the dining room and any other time they are out of their own room.
- Communal dining- two residents to a table with a divider
- Visitation is still allowed in the resident's room; all residents have a private room in ALC
- Residents are still allowed to go out to essential appointments
- Staff reminds residents to wash their hands and use hand sanitizer frequently
- We are only testing if we have a symptomatic resident or employee.
- We take the temp and oxygen level three times daily of all residents and record
- Staff are all wearing N95 masks

As always, we continue to put our trust in the Lord, maker of heaven and earth, and do all we can to stay safe.

I will be providing weekly updates for a few weeks. Thank you!

Mark

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