



ATTENTION ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY LIVING RESIDENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS

10/28/2020 COVID-19 UPDATE– *please read this in its entirety.*

Due to the everchanging situation with COVID-19 and heightened concerns about the potential spread of this virus and other serious respiratory illnesses like influenza, St. Paul's Senior Living Community, Greenville, PA, has continued to evaluate its preparedness in response to information and recommendations shared by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA-DOH) and others. As you know, St. Paul's serves a fragile population and we have a responsibility to implement a plan of action to protect our population and our workforce.

The following is an update to our Plan of Action for Community Living houses:

- Residents of Jamestown and Oakview Community Living will be able to have INDOOR visitation as well as outdoor visitation. Visits MUST be pre-scheduled during available visitation times with a house team member.
- These guidelines remain in place for ALL visitation at The Jamestown and The Oakview houses:
 - Visits are limited to two (2) visitors per resident. A baby or child counts as one visitor.
 - Visits are limited to one hour.
 - Residents are permitted to have visitors more than once per week.
 - Visitors must be screened at the door by a Community Living team member prior to entering the house.
 - Visitors and residents MUST wear masks AT ALL TIMES during a visit. Masks must cover the mouth and nose properly.
 - Visitation will take place at the kitchen table– socially distanced. Only the resident and their visitors should be present.
 - Once seated, visitors and residents MUST remain in their seats until the visit is concluded. Please DO NOT move chairs at any time during a visit.
 - Food or beverages are not to be consumed during any visits. ***Masks must remain on*** at all times.
 - Most importantly, if a family member wishes to bring something in to give the resident during a visit, we ask that you give it to a team member to pass on to the resident. The same applies if a resident wishes to give the family member something. We ask that visitors and residents DO NOT pass items directly to each other. Social distancing MUST be maintained during the visit.
 - Residents are not permitted to touch or hold babies or small children during a visit.
 - **Please consider, these guidelines are designed to keep our residents and team members safe and healthy. If visitors do not follow these guidelines, they may**

be asked to leave. By not following guidelines visitors may jeopardize future visits for themselves and all other residents and their visitors.

- Non-essential personnel (i.e. beauticians, etc.) are now permitted in the houses. All non-essential personnel will be screened at The Villas before going to The Jamestown or The Oakview houses. While in the house, both residents and non-essential personnel **MUST** wear masks at all times.
- Residents continue to go out for essential medical appointments **ONLY**. St. Paul's is providing transportation for essential medical appointments whenever possible. Families are permitted to ***transport residents for medical appointments in special circumstances only***. Residents and family members **MUST WEAR THEIR MASKS THE ENTIRE TIME THEY ARE TOGETHER**. If family do transport, they are not permitted to take a resident anywhere besides the medical appointment (i.e. hair care or nail care appointments). Doing so will require a 14-day quarantine for the resident.
- **Ongoing Procedures**
 - Screening continues for all staff and the screening process is updated as new information and guidelines are received from PA DOH, CMS, and the CDC.
 - We are promoting frequent handwashing and use of sanitizer when handwashing is unavailable for both residents and team members.
 - We continue the use of masks for **ALL** team members while on duty.
 - We continue with increased frequency of cleaning and sanitizing of high touched surface areas.
 - We continue to follow guidance regarding the importance of social distancing.
 - We continue to provide transportation out for **ESSENTIAL** medical appointments **ONLY**.
 - Residents are required to wear a mask when leaving the home for essential medical appointments.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We all can protect ourselves and others from COVID-19 and Influenza by following these general guidelines at all times:

1. Always wear a mask when in public places or at times when social distancing is not possible.
2. Wash hands often or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer for proper hand hygiene.
3. Maintain an appropriate social distance (6').
4. Stay at home when you are sick.

As always, we encourage you to refer to the CDC, CMS and PA DOH websites for more information.

If you have any questions regarding this communication or St. Paul's Plan of Action for Community Living please contact Rita Clemente, VP of Community Relations or Michelle O'Malley, Client and Staff Development Coordinator.

Please monitor our website (www.stpauls1867.org) and Facebook page (stpaulseniorlivingcommunity) for updated information.