



ATTENTION ST. PAUL'S RESIDENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS

5/18/2020 COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE– ***please read this in its entirety.***

St. Paul's Senior Living Community, Greenville, PA, continues to adjust its action plan in response to information, recommendations and requirements 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. ***Please keep in mind that all of the steps we are taking are in the best interest of the health and safety of residents and staff.*** Also note, that our plan of action is subject to change as new information becomes available.

The following is an update for this week:

- Tuesday, we received new recommendations from the PA Department of Health regarding testing for residents and staff in long term care. Our administrative team is working with our state association and the PA Department of Health to seek clarification and further direction on the recommendations received.
- Our visiting policies remain the same. Family visits are still limited to those residents who are at the end of life. Outside in-person visiting is also still restricted. Families are welcome to arrange video call visits through Life Enrichment. Please call in advance of your visit to ensure Life Enrichment or another team member is available to assist your loved one with the visit.
- Our approach to medical appointments continues to follow these guidelines: First, we are only scheduling essential medical appointments for residents. Our first approach to a medical appointment is through a virtual visit with the resident's health care provider, in which case family members can participate. If the resident is going out of St. Paul's, St. Paul's will provide the transportation unless there are extenuating circumstances. Extenuating circumstances are addressed on a case by case basis. If a family member must meet a resident at an appointment due to extenuating circumstances, the family member must wear a mask and maintain a social distance.
- At this time, due to the guidelines and restrictions from the PA DOH we find it necessary to postpone our annual Family Picnics typically held at the end of July and our annual Color Run held sometime during June. We will let you know if we are able to reschedule these events at a later date.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We all can protect ourselves and others from COVID-19 and Influenza by following these general guidelines at all times: wash hands often; maintain an appropriate social distance (6’); wear a mask when in public and frequently clean high touch surfaces. Thank you for doing your part.

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 please contact one of our administrators: Tammy Lininger, The Villas; Dianna Jones, The Heritage, Jones Serenity Circle and Jones Serenity Lane; Mickie Chapman, The Ridgewood; or Rita Clemente, The Colony and Without Walls.

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