



**ATTENTION: HERITAGE RESIDENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS**

**IMPORTANT – 1/6/2022 COVID-19 UPDATE – *please read this in its entirety.***

In accordance with shared recommendations for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) and others, we are required to notify you each time there is a change or development in our Covid-19 status, including new cases among residents and/or team members. We are also required to notify you if we admit a resident with a Covid-19 diagnosis even if they have met the criteria for discontinuation of transmission-based precautions.

We continue to perform testing of team members as per Department of Health guidance. Team members who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are taken off the schedule and advised to consult with their clinician. In addition, any resident(s) who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are tested.

We recently identified one team member who tested positive for COVID-19. This team member impacts the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Jones Serenity Circle and Jones Serenity Lane. In addition, we identified one resident who tested positive in Jones Serenity Lane.

All residents have been tested today. We will report the results as soon as we receive them. A second round of testing will be completed on Monday, January 10, 2022.

In addition, the following guidelines now apply:

**• Jones Serenity Lane is now under RED STATUS:**

- Visitation is permitted; however, visitors should be aware of the potential risks of exposure with a positive case in that neighborhood. (PLEASE READ ATTACHED VISITATIONS GUIDELINE)
- Virtual visits can be arranged by calling the Life Enrichment or neighborhood staff.
- We are taking a cautious stance to pause communal dining.
  - Residents in Jones Serenity Lane will have meals in the dining room but physically distanced.

**• The entire Third Floor and Jones Serenity Circle are now under PRECAUTIONARY STATUS:**

- Fully vaccinated residents on this neighborhood do not need to quarantine, but should continue to wear masks at all times when around others for the 14-day post exposure period.
- Visitation is permitted for residents who are fully vaccinated; however, visitors should be aware of the potential risks of exposure. (PLEASE READ ATTACHED VISITATIONS GUIDELINE)
- Any resident, not fully vaccinated, must quarantine for 14 days. In-person visitation is not recommended. Should a resident choose to have visitation during their quarantine period, visitors should be aware of the potential risks of exposure. Virtual or window visits can be arranged by calling the Life Enrichment or neighborhood staff.

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- We are taking a cautious stance to pause communal dining.
  - Residents on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor will receive meals by tray service at this time.
  - Residents in Jones Serenity Circle will have meals in the dining room but physically distanced.

- **First and Second Floors are NOT IMPACTED by these positive cases.**

We continue to ask visitors that if you have **any respiratory symptoms including cold or allergy symptoms**, please postpone visitation. We also ask that you postpone visitation if you have been around anyone testing for or with a confirmed COVID-19 infection in the last 14 days regardless of your vaccination status. Although guidance is being updated that may shorten this time period, we would suggest this in an abundance of caution. Please refer to our visitation guidelines attached.

If you have any questions regarding this communication or St Paul's plan of action please contact Dianna Jones, Administrator of The Heritage or Robin Knight, VP of Personal Care Services.