



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

**IMPORTANT – 9/17/2021 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.

As a result of our weekly testing, we have been notified that one new resident tested positive this week.

Residents who live on the third and fourth floors remain quarantined. Visitation continues to be suspended and we will keep you posted on any updates.

At this point, we are able to reduce our isolation protocols for residents who live on the first and second floors. On these floors, residents are able to enjoy common areas outside of their apartment. However, communal dining, activities and visitation remain suspended.

Proper infection control protocols remain in place for all floors.

We continue weekly testing all residents and team members and will complete our next round of surveillance testing early next week as required by the PA DOH.

We will provide notification of any additional positive tests as a result of each week's surveillance testing. We will update you when the majority of the results become available at the latter part of each week.

We appreciate everyone's support and understanding. If you have any questions regarding this communication or St. Paul's plan of action, please contact Dianna Jones, administrator of The Heritage.