



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

**IMPORTANT – 11/24/2020 COVID-19 UPDATE** – *please read this in its entirety.*

In accordance with shared recommendations for the Centers for Disease Control, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Pennsylvania Department of Health 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.

Once again, we began weekly testing on Saturday, November 21, 2020 of all residents and team members in the Villas. We anticipate results of this weekly testing to come back throughout the coming week. In addition to our ongoing weekly testing, we continue to test residents who present symptoms consistent with Covid-19. Since our update yesterday, we have had seven residents test positive for Covid-19, some of which are from the results of our weekly testing and some are from symptomatic testing performed.

Residents testing positive and remaining in our care have now been moved to our designated “Red Zone” neighborhood, Orchards A, where they may receive proper care and minimize the risk of further exposure to others who are not positive. The resident and their responsible party were immediately notified verbally of this diagnosis.

Since this outbreak began on November 12, 2020 we have had a total of 22 residents and 11 team members at the Villas test positive for Covid-19. In addition, we have also admitted one resident who has met the criteria for discontinuation of transmission-based precautions.

We continue to be vigilant as a community and a team in our efforts to minimize the spread of Covid-19 and while we are experiencing positive cases in residents and team members, we are still very proud of our team and our residents for doing their best to minimize case numbers in a period of high community transmission; data estimates that 1-in-10 people in our region currently have Covid-19.

All other resident neighborhoods continue to follow “Yellow Zone” protocols, a measure required to be taken when a potential exposure exists.

Please review our website for further information regarding procedures already in place due to positive Covid-19 cases. Please keep those impacted by Covid-19 in your thoughts and prayers.

If you have any questions regarding this communication or St Paul’s plan of action please contact Tammy Lininger, Administrator at the Villas or Leann McCurdy, Director of Nursing at the Villas.