



ATTENTION: VILLAS RESIDENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS

IMPORTANT – 3/3/2021 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 (PADOH) and others, St. Paul's continues to administer weekly testing of Villas staff and residents. We continue to test any residents who present symptoms consistent with Covid-19. Team members who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are taken off the schedule and advised to consult with their clinician.

We are pleased to report that no new resident or staff cases were identified as a result of this week's testing. As such, Gardens B, Springs B and Orchards B have rejoined the other neighborhoods, Willows A & B, Gardens A and Springs A as GREEN ZONES. The Meadows is unique in its designation as it remains the designated neighborhood for admissions and readmissions to St. Paul's. Overall it is designated GREEN with the exception of those residents who are within 14 days of their admission or readmission to St. Paul's. These residents are still considered YELLOW.

As per guidance from CMS, we are pleased to be able to resume SCHEDULED VISITATION since we have met the threshold of no new onset of COVID19 cases in the last 14 days. We are also encouraged by the decreasing positivity rate in Mercer County currently hovering near 5%. We recognize these factors can change quickly; however, we are grateful that things appear to be going in the right direction.

TO SCHEDULE VISITATION, please follow these important steps:

- **Please schedule your visit by calling the Villas receptionist between 8:00AM – 6:00 PM Monday THROUGH Friday.** Visits MUST be pre-scheduled during available visitation times.
- Visits will be scheduled in 30-minute increments during the following hours:
 - Monday through Friday 8:45 AM-10:45 AM and 1:15 PM-4:00 PM.
 - Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
 - Saturdays 9:00 AM-11:00 AM only
 - Sundays 2:00PM-4:00 PM only
- *Although CMS guidance still indicates a preference for outdoor visitation, this will be addressed later as warmer weather approaches.*
- Visits indoors are limited to designated locations that are considered “neutral zones” and not within the neighborhood themselves.
- To be fair to all residents, at least initially, residents will be limited to only one visit session per week. Visits can only be scheduled 1 week at a time. Other appointments can only be booked AFTER completion of the existing appointment. (like a doctor's office)
- Visits are limited to 2 visitors at a time.
- Once seated, visitors and residents must remain in their seats until the visit is concluded. Please do not move chairs at any time during the visit.
- Visitors MUST adhere to the Core Principles of COVID-19 Infection Prevention as outlined by CMS:
 - Visitors MUST be screened first at The Villas before proceeding to the designated location.
 - Visitors MUST wear a mask AT ALL TIMES during a visit (covering mouth and nose)
 - Visitors MUST wash/sanitize hands upon entry and perform hand hygiene as needed throughout the visit (use of alcohol-based sanitizer is preferred)
 - Physical distancing of at least 6 feet MUST still be maintained during the visit.

- Frequent cleaning and disinfecting of high touch surfaces
- Appropriate use of additional personal protective equipment (PPE) as needed.
- Please keep in mind that failure to comply with these Core Principles may impact future visitation.
- Please arrive no earlier than 5 minutes before your scheduled visit. Earlier arrival will require you to wait in your vehicle.
- In-room visits remain limited to end-of-life/compassionate care situations on an exceptional basis.
- Visits through a glass door or window are still permitted- however, the door or window MUST remain closed.
- Life enrichment team members continue to coordinate video calls via Facetime or Skype.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We continue to recruit volunteers to help us with the management of all our scheduled visits. We are training volunteers to serve as HOSTS/HOSTESSES. We invite family members who may be interested in helping connect residents with their families to register as a volunteer and help support this initiative. If you or another family member is interested in volunteering, please reach out to Wendy Vaughn, Director of Volunteer Services. You may reach Wendy by calling 724-588-9613 ext. 1135 or emailing Wendy at wvaughn@sp1867.org.

We will keep you apprised of any changes moving forward. We understand this can be a very fluid and ever-changing situation and we are so appreciative of your patience and cooperation. 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 (724) 588-7610.