



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

**IMPORTANT – 10/16/2021 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 were notified that 1 resident from Gardens B, recently tested positive for COVID-19. This resident has been moved to Orchards A as a red zone as per our plan.**

**Current facility status:**

- **GARDENS B – Any resident who presents with symptoms consistent of Covid-19 is tested; otherwise, routine outbreak testing will continue at least every 3-5 days until 14 days have passed with no new positive cases . We will keep everyone informed of these results. In an abundance of caution, we continue to temporarily suspend visitation to Gardens B, residents will be encouraged to quarantine to their rooms and activities off the neighborhood remain suspended.**
- **GARDENS A – Any resident who presents with symptoms consistent of Covid-19 is tested; otherwise, routine outbreak testing will continue at least every 3-5 days until 14 days have passed with no new positive cases. We will continue to keep everyone informed of these results. Fully vaccinated residents on Gardens A 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; however, visitors should be aware of the potential risks of exposure. Any impacted resident(s) as identified above, not fully vaccinated, must continue to quarantine for 14 days with in-person visitation restricted to compassion care/end of life only during this period.**
- **WILLOWS B – Any resident who presents with symptoms consistent of Covid-19 is tested; otherwise, routine outbreak testing will continue for those select residents previously identified through contact tracing as per the facility memo dated 10/8/2021. This routine testing will continue at least every 3-5 days until 14 days have passed with no new positive cases. If fully vaccinated, these residents on Willows B 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; however, visitors should be aware of the potential risks of exposure. Any impacted resident(s), not fully vaccinated, must continue to quarantine for 14 days with in-person visitation restricted to compassion care/end of life only during this period.

We will continue to perform other routine testing of team members as per PADOH and CMS guidance. In addition, any team members who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 will continue to be taken off the schedule and advised to consult with their clinician. Any resident(s) who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are tested.

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.