



ATTENTION: St. Paul's residents, family members and team members – the Villas, the Heritage, and the Ridgewood

09/18/2020 COVID-19 UPDATE – *please read this in its entirety.*

St. Paul's Senior Living Community, Greenville, PA, continues to adjust its action plan in response to information, recommendations and requirements shared by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA-DOH) and others. As you know, St. Paul's serves a fragile population and we have a responsibility to implement a plan of action to protect our population and our workforce. ***Please keep in mind that all of the steps we are taking are in the best interest of the health and safety of residents and staff.*** Also note, that our plan of action is subject to change as new information becomes available.

UPDATE:

- Again, this week we are pleased to share that we have no new COVID-19 cases in nursing care or personal care. We continue to test residents as indicated. Any positive cases will result in a bulletin to residents, family members and team members.
- Per new guidance from the PA Department of Health and CMS we are implementing ongoing testing for our team members who work in The Villas. Testing begins next week and at this time it will be conducted monthly. The frequency of ongoing testing is subject to change based on the positivity rate (data from the CDC) in Mercer County.
- Also, in accordance to new guidance, beginning today, team members working in the Villas are required to wear face shields in addition to medical face masks.
- The Villas remains at Step 2 in reopening according to the Interim Guidance For Skilled Nursing Facilities 6-26-2020 posted on our website at <https://www.stpauls1867.org/contact/covid-19-updates>
- The Heritage and The Ridgewood remain at Step 3 in reopening according to the Interim Guidance For Personal Care Homes 6-26-2020 posted on our website at <https://www.stpauls1867.org/contact/covid-19-updates>
- Attached is an informational document from the CDC regarding social distancing. We can't express enough the importance of social distancing during visits and all interactions between residents, family members and team members (both at work and at home).
- We continue to recruit volunteers to help us with the management of all of our visits, now and in the future. 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 Rose Hoffman, Director of Volunteer Services 724-588-9613 ext. 1135 or rhoffman@sp1867.org.

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- **We continue to post all of our Resident & Family Bulletins on our website (<https://www.stpauls1867.org/contact/covid-19-updates>). Once posted, we notify family members via text message to their cell phones that a new bulletin is available.** We invite you to add family members to the text distribution list by emailing Rita Clemente, VP of Community Relations at rclemente@sp1867.org and include the family member's name and cell phone number, and the resident's name and the location in which the resident resides.

We continue to stress the importance of handwashing, social distancing and wearing a mask as the best approaches to preventing the spread of COVID-19 and Influenza.

If you have any questions regarding this communication or St. Paul's Plan of Action please contact one of our administrators: Tammy Lininger, The Villas; Dianna Jones, The Heritage, Jones Serenity Circle and Jones Serenity Lane; Mickie Chapman, The Ridgewood; or Rita Clemente, The Colony.

Please monitor our website (www.stpauls1867.org) and Facebook page (stpaulseniorlivingcommunity) for updated information as our guidelines are subject to change.