



LIONS GATE

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Dear Lions Gate Residents and Community Members,

COVID-19 UPDATE

CASES

Today we were informed of a COVID-19 positive test result of a resident in the Rehabilitation Center. The person is asymptomatic and has been moved to the cohort unit as per our protocol. As has been our ongoing protocol, all residents in the Rehabilitation Center are quarantined in rooms for 14 days upon admission and all staff wear full personal protective equipment (PPE).

RESIDENT SCREENING- All residents in rehab, skilled nursing, and assisted living are screened for signs and symptoms and temperatures are taken on a daily basis.

RESIDENT TESTING – At this time, residents are not required to be tested on a routine basis.

EMPLOYEE SCREENING/TESTING- employees continue to be screened and temperatures taken before the start of their shift. Employee testing continues to be conducted on a weekly basis.

INFECTION CONTROL- In an effort to prevent or reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19, Lions Gate continues to ensure all residents, staff, and outdoor visitors follow appropriate social distancing, mask wearing, and hand-washing as directed by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the NJ Department of Health. Employees continue to be in-serviced on proper infection control protocols on an ongoing basis.

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INDOOR VISITATION

- **Skilled Nursing/Rehab** – Unfortunately, due to a positive case in this area, we are required by the NJ Department of Health to postpone indoor visitation until Tuesday, November 10th. Outdoor visitations will continue only with weather permitting. Facetime visits will continue as well. We expect to start indoor visitation by November 10, 2020. We will keep you informed as it gets closer to this date.
- **Assisted Living**- Indoor visitation will begin as scheduled on November 3, 2020. All visitors must present a negative COVID-19 test result prior to visiting.
- **Independent Living** – Indoor visitation will begin as scheduled on November 3, 2020. All visitors must present a negative COVID-19 test result prior to visiting.

INDOOR DINING- Due to the increase in cases in NJ, plans to reopen the dining rooms have been placed on hold for the foreseeable future.

INCREASE IN COVID-19 CASES IN NJ- As you may already be aware, the number of COVID-19 positive cases is increasing in NJ and many other states. Therefore, it is extremely important that all of us ensure we continue to practice social distancing, wearing masks, and appropriate hand-washing techniques at all times.

We recognize that everyone is fatigued from dealing with COVID-19 and the restrictions that are placed on you. However, we all have an obligation to ensure we comply with protocols and do our best to protect each other. For those who live in Independent Living, if you do not need to leave the community, we strongly encourage you to remain on campus, especially as positive cases are quickly increasing. You have all done a great job in protecting yourselves and each other, and we cannot get lax. We need to continue to be strong, follow protocols, and stay safe.

There are several programs that will be offered by Jewish Family and Children's Services for residents, including a Low Vision Education & Support Group (via phone), Café Connection, a social gathering for people affected by memory challenges and their care partners, a Support Group for Widows and Widowers (all programs will be via Zoom unless noted). Details will be sent in the near future under separate cover. Also, Lions Gate would like to offer a support group for those who may be fatigued from dealing with COVID-19 and the effects of the protocols in place. If you are interested in joining this group, please let me know.

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As always, thank you for your continued cooperation and patience. If you have any questions, please call the Hotline at 856-679-4679 or email at lgadministrator@lionsgateccrc.org.

Respectfully,

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