



January 16, 2021

Dear Lions Gate Community Members,

Please see below updated COVID statistics from October 1st through today:

- Current # COVID positive on the cohort unit today 14
 - Residents from Independent Living 2
 - Residents from Assisted Living 0
 - Residents from Skilled Nursing 0
 - Residents from outside Lions Gate 12
- Cumulative Total # COVID positive Lions Gate residents 8
- Cumulative Total # COVID positive residents before admission 25
- Current # COVID positive employees 2
- Cumulative total COVID positive employees 20
- Cumulative total # of residents who passed away 0
- Cumulative total # of employees who passed away 0

Because the current statewide “COVID-19 Activity Level” is at a score of HIGH, the start of indoor visitation in Assisted Living and Skilled Nursing will be delayed until further notice. Facetime “visits” will continue in Healthcare.

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COVID-19 VACCINE:

Lions Gate has arranged for OmniCare/CVS to administer the COVID-19 vaccine. The pharmacy has assigned us the following dates, 01/31/21 and 02/21/21 that they will be onsite to vaccinate. Omnicare/CVS is providing us with the Pfizer vaccine, which is a two-step vaccine, this means the initial dose will be provided on their first visit and the final dose on the second visit. After you complete the required form(s), please deliver them to the concierge desk or email to skushner@lionsgateccrc.org along with a copy of the front and back of the medical insurance card by Wednesday 1/20/21.

POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES

We have recently had 3 residents in independent living test positive for COVID. All three residents had paid non-Lions Gate caregivers assisting them in their apartments, and these caregivers tested positive for COVID prior to the residents testing positive for COVID. If you or your loved one have caregivers in their apartments, it is imperative that you remember these guidelines:

- The resident should wear a mask when ANYONE is in their apartment.
- The resident should not allow others to be in their apartment without a mask.
- Wash your hands or sanitize your hands often.
- **Ask your caregivers if they are being COVID tested in accordance with Lions Gate requirements. If they are here more than occasionally, they can test twice a week as the Lions Gate staff do. If they are here only occasionally, they must show a test result no more than 2 days old or be rapid tested upon arrival. It is the only way to keep COVID out of Independent Living.**
- Because Lions Gate does not employ these individuals, we have difficulty tracking and ensuring these individuals are complying with the Lions Gate testing requirements. Although their agencies have been provided our requirements and have been informed these guidelines are mandatory, it appears these individuals may not be in full compliance. You are the employer of the caregiver – demand they provide weekly proof of COVID tests, if they refuse or the test provided is more than 7 days old, do not allow them into your apartment.
- No private duty caregivers should be entering the building through the side entrances. They must enter through the employee entrance so they can be screened for COVID and we can track their test results. If you or another one of your caregivers are allowing private caregivers to enter the community without being screened and having their COVID test to be confirmed, you are putting yourself, your neighbors and the Lions Gate staff at risk.

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PRECAUTIONS

We continue to be diligent with following all infection control protocols and enforcing social distancing and mask wearing. In addition, we continue to in-service staff on a regular basis on proper hand-washing techniques, proper mask wearing, and social distancing. On a daily basis, we continue to sanitize and disinfect apartment doorbells, doorknobs, handrails, etc. in the A and B buildings.

We will continue to provide you with updates as they become available. Please know that we are strictly adhering to and following all infection control protocols and guidance from the CMS, CDC and the NJ Department of Health.

We thank you for your continued cooperation and support and appreciate your partnership during these challenging times.

If you have any questions, please call the COVID Hotline at 856-679-4679 or email at lgadministrator@lionsgateccrc.org

Be Well and Be Safe!

Respectfully,

David Thompson
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