



August 10, 2021

Dear Lions Gate Community Members,

Hello and we hope you are all doing well!

We continue to monitor NJ COVID-19 Activity Level Index (CALI). The CALI has moved up “Moderate” for our region, and remains at “Moderate” for the state of New Jersey as a whole. Please do not let your guard down. You should remain vigilant and **please wear a mask in common areas**, wash/sanitize your hands and practice social distancing.

Lions Gate was notified Saturday (8/7) morning that 2 short stay rehabilitation residents tested positive for COVID-19.

As a result of these positive test results, Lions Gate was required, by the NJ Department of Health, to pause all visitation in the skilled nursing, rehabilitation, assisted living and Safe Haven units until all residents and staff are tested. Lions Gate has tested all of our residents in these units and all staff members regardless of assigned unit are being tested. All of the resident test results have been negative and therefore we are permitted to resume visitation in all units except for the Rehab unit. **The Rehab unit’s visitation will remain paused until Saturday (8/21).**

We have been and will continue to screen all of our employees, vendors, guests upon entry into the facility. We continue to provide employees and residents with proper PPE and have sufficient supply to continue to do so.

DINING

Guests are not permitted to eat in the dining room or bistro. Guests are permitted to order food from either venue, but must consume the food in your apartment or outside.

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The dining room is now operating at full capacity. All seating is open seating and will be based on a 1st come 1st served basis. Seating begins at 4:30pm and ends at 6pm. We ask that you limit table time to 90 minutes.

PRECAUTIONS

If you have an aide please remember to wear a mask at all times. Please insist that the aide (or unvaccinated visitor) wear a mask when inside your apartment.

PRIVATE AIDES

Fully vaccinated private aides are permitted to enter through the IL entrance to be screened, they no longer need to enter through the employee entrance. If a fully vaccinated private aide exhibits signs of COVID, they will be required to submit to a COVID test before being permitted to enter the community. Proof of vaccination is required. Aides are encouraged to provide a copy of their vaccination card to be kept on file at the concierge desk or they will be required to provide proof of vaccination each time they enter the community.

There are no changes in the process for unvaccinated private aides regarding screening or testing. Unvaccinated aides must continue to enter through the employee entrance to be screened and continue to be tested on their current scheduled days.

VISITATION GUIDELINES

1. All visitors, regardless of vaccination status, must enter through the front door by the concierge desk to be screened.
2. **When visiting, please sanitize your hands, wear a mask at all times, and go directly to and from the apartment you are visiting.**
3. We require proof of vaccination or proof of a negative COVID test result within 5 days of you visit or we will test visitors here between 8:30a and 4p (guests under 18 cannot be tested onsite). We use a Binax nasal swab COVID test onsite, and the process takes approximately 15 minutes to receive a result.
4. Guests under the age of 18 years may now visit, however we are not able test individuals under the age of 18 onsite. Any unvaccinated visitors under the age of 18 must arrive with proof of vaccination status or a negative test result taken within the last 5 days.

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5. Persons who test positive or are exhibiting signs of COVID will not be permitted to visit and must leave the premises immediately.

Please see below updated COVID statistics from **April 27, 2021** through today:

- Current # COVID positive on the cohort unit today 0
 - Residents from Independent Living 0
 - Residents from Assisted Living 0
 - Residents from Skilled Nursing 0
 - Residents from outside Lions Gate 2
- Cumulative Total # COVID positive Lions Gate residents 0
- Current # COVID positive employees 0
- Cumulative total COVID positive employee 1
- Cumulative total # of residents who passed away 0
- Cumulative total # of employees who passed away 0

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

We thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

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,
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