



September 13, 2024

Dear Lions Gate Community Members:

Shabbat Shalom!

We just learned that 2 Independent Living residents have tested positive for COVID 19. Due to the number of recent cases of COVID-19, Assisted Living is in "Outbreak Status." **At this time, masks are not required to be worn by Residents, Guests, and Staff Members on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Assisted Living.**

**Guests and Residents of Independent Living, Skilled Nursing, Assisted Living 1, and Rehab are permitted and visit the bistro Assisted Living 2 residents are not permitted to visit the bistro at this time. We will update you as to when Assisted Living 2 residents are able to use the bistro.** We continue to follow all CDC and NJ DOH recommendations and guidelines.

While visiting, we ask that all visitors follow the COVID-19 Prevention Practices below:

Visitors who have a positive viral test for COVID-19, symptoms of COVID-19, or currently meet the criteria for quarantine, should not enter the Community.

All visitors will continue to be screened upon entry into the Community.

Visitors are encouraged to practice good hand hygiene including the use of alcohol-based hand rub upon entering and exiting the Community.

Outdoor visitation is preferred when the resident and/or visitor are not fully vaccinated. However, weather conditions or a resident's health status may hinder this option. We no longer require these visits to be scheduled.

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While not recommended, residents who are on contact/droplet precautions can still receive visitors. Residents and visitors should wear a well-fitting mask and be offered full PPE. Visitors will be made aware if the resident they are visiting is on contact/droplet precautions prior to their visit and made aware of the potential risks. Contact/droplet precautions are required when a resident has tested positive for COVID-19 or has been exposed to COVID-19.

If a resident/family member reports possible close contact with an individual with COVID-19 while being out of the Community, the resident will be tested for COVID-19 and placed on Transmission-Based Precautions regardless of vaccination status.

If a resident develops signs or symptoms of COVID-19 after an outing, the resident will be tested for COVID-19 and placed on Transmission-Based Precautions, regardless of vaccination status.

Residents who are fully vaccinated are not required to be quarantined at this time, provided they are not showing signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or have not been exposed to someone with signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

The updated COVID booster will be available to all Lions Gate residents and staff members this fall. We will update you with further details as they become available. If you have further questions regarding the COVID booster, please contact the Infection Prevention Nurse, Asia Lee at 856-679-2219 or [alee@lionsgateccrc.org](mailto:alee@lionsgateccrc.org)

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Please see below updated COVID statistics:

- Current # COVID positive today
  - Residents from Independent Living 4
  - Residents from Assisted Living 0
  - Residents from Skilled Nursing 0
  - Residents from outside Lions Gate 0
  
- Cumulative total since 5/28/2024
  - # COVID positive Lions Gate residents 30
  
- Current # COVID positive employees 1
- Cumulative total since 06/12/2024
  - #COVID positive employees 19
  
- 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](mailto:lgadministrator@lionsgateccrc.org)

Be Well and Be Safe!

Respectfully,

David Thompson  
Chief Executive Officer

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