

**Communities at Indian Haven
1675 Saltsburg Avenue
Indiana, PA 15701**

July 17, 2020

Dear Residents, Families and Caregivers,

I hope this finds you well and in good health. As the COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated due to large volumes of mandated testing, we are continuing with the necessary precautions to assure the safety of your loved ones and our staff. There is quite a bit of work ahead of us before we can relax the current restrictions in place and open our doors to visitation. The Governor has increased various restrictions as of yesterday, mandated masking and closed in restaurant dining. IRMC also reverted back to no visitation. I know all of us are feeling overwhelmed since this began in March and going backwards doesn't help.

Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requires the data below to be provided weekly to the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN). Resident Impact (May 8, 2020 thru July 16, 2020)

Number of cases	
3	ADMISSIONS: Residents admitted or readmitted who were previously hospitalized and treated for COVID-19
1	CONFIRMED: Residents with new laboratory positive COVID-19- admitted from hospital
0	SUSPECTED: Residents with new suspected COVID-19
0	TOTAL DEATHS: Residents who died in the facility or another location

0	COVID-19 DEATHS: Residents with suspected or laboratory positive COVID-19 who died in the facility or another location.
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Once a County has moved into the “Green Phase,” a minimum of 28 days must pass from entering this phase and also assume the following conditions are met:

- No active or new Covid-19 cases within the last 28 days
- The facility is not experiencing staff shortages
- The facility has adequate supplies of personal protective equipment and essential cleaning and disinfection supplies to care for residents
- The facility has adequate access to testing for COVID-19
- Referral hospital(s) have bed capacity on wards and intensive care units

Currently, new admissions/re-admissions are being tested prior to transfer into the facility. All of our resident and current associates baseline testing was completed with NO positive results. The hospitals are completing the tests on the day of discharge for new admissions and we have had increased time until we receive the results due to the volume of increased tests at the laboratory. We pre-test all new employees and they have a completed test prior to starting any position in the facility.

We are in the process of completing an outdoor visiting area. This has been a challenge due to the extremely hot and humid weather, which would be unsafe for our residents. In the near future, Families will schedule a time to visit their loved one in this area by calling the facility. A screening (temperature, assessment for cough, shortness of breath, fatigue as well as travel history, exposure) will be completed prior to your entry to the area and **masks are mandatory** for the visit. We will clean and sanitize the area between visits, with a limit of 30-minute visits. Long term care Residents will be the first scheduled to have the visits. We continue to assure declining residents who are on hospice have loved ones visit.

A large part of our strategic preparation is staffing contingency plans and breaking the facility into different zones for positive (Red Zone 100 Unit), presumed positive or exposed (Yellow Zone 200 Unit), and negative results (Green Zone 300 and 400 Units).

We continue to report our data to a number of sources on a daily and weekly basis. This data is now publically published by the Pennsylvania Department of Health on a routine basis. Currently there are 168 cases in Indiana County with many being without any symptoms.

Thank you for your continued support. We want you to know that your loved ones are doing well and enjoy your window visits, cards and calls. The staff has done an awesome job with extra special activities and assuring their safety.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 724-465-3900 or mailto:Kimberly_cobaugh@indianhaven.com.

Stay Safe!

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