

October 29, 2021

Dear friends and families,

We remain open for visitation. We are having activities with social distancing. Our beautician has returned this week. We prefer that you schedule your visits but it is not required. You will be in designated visitation areas unless your loved one has no roommate. Visitors must continue to wear masks and social distance.

Please note that we will reinforce expectations on visitors when entering our building.

- 1) Screening upon entering and exiting the building of all who enter the facility for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 to include:
 - Temperature checks,
 - Questions about and observations about signs or symptoms
 - Recent exposure to COVID-19
 - Denial of entry of those with signs or symptoms or those who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 infection in the prior 14 days (regardless of the visitor's vaccination status)
- 2) Practice hand hygiene (use of alcohol-based hand rub is preferred)
- 3) Wear well-fitting face covering or mask (covering mouth and nose)
- 4) Practice Social distancing at least six feet between persons during all visitation and with other residents and staff members

We have also opened our dining room with social distancing. Today, we will be having a Halloween party with the residents. We are going to have the residents who wish to participate wearing different head dressings and/or masks. They will also be judging staff costume

Our current vaccine rate for residents is 94% for fully vaccinated with 97% having at least one dose. Staff that have obtained at least one dose is 97%; Fully vaccinated staff is 94%. We are very proud of these rates. We are doing our best to provide a safe environment for our residents.

Many of our residents have received a booster vaccine. Some of our staff have also obtained a booster vaccine.

We are following guidance from [\(CDC\)](#), [Department of Health \(DOH\)](#) and [CMS](#) as well as the latest [COVID-19 infection control guidance](#) with relation to its impact on our residents and visitors. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with our masking and social distancing protocols for our facility. Our utmost priority is to protect the residents and staff and their families.

. For information about vaccination rates at nursing homes, please refer to CMS's Care Compare site through [Medicare.gov](#). Learn about [vaccines near you](#) and the [CDC's fact sheet](#).

Learn more about vaccine facts vs. myths with a downloadable PDF, blog and video blog, which are linked from our website's COVID-19 page. Visitations are monitored and controlled based on the [CDC's county view data tracker](#).

Our Facility's Resident Impact (since the federal government issued reporting requirements on May 8, 2020, through October 22, 2021):

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

We love that families and friends are able to spend time with their loved one. It makes their day so special. It adds to their physical, social and psychological wellbeing.
As always, if you have any questions or concerns please reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Chi NHA