



August 20, 2021

Dear Residents & Family Members,

We are committed to keeping you well-informed of updates and changes with the impact of COVID-19 on our Friends House community. Please see the chart below for our current numbers related to positive COVID-19 cases for both residents and staff. These numbers are reflective from the very start of the pandemic.

We have been notified of a positive case of a resident that has previously resided at Friends House. Although the resident no longer resides at Friends House, the Maryland Department of Health protocols indicate that we need to enact outbreak precautions within the facility.

Visiting update:

As a result of the negative testing results this week, we are able to resume indoor visitation next week.

All visits must be scheduled ahead of time. Scheduling will occur by calling the front desk at Stabler Hall, 301-924-7531, if your loved one lives on Thomas Hall or Stabler Hall or by calling the nurse station on Haviland Hall, 301-924-7518, if your loved one lives on Haviland Hall.

Window and Skype visits are always available. If you would like to schedule a window visit, please call the front desk of Stabler Hall during regular business hours to schedule a time, or feel free to request a Skype or FaceTime call. The number is 301-924-7531. If you would like to schedule a window visit or FaceTime call for a resident who lives in Haviland Hall (Assisted Living), please call 301-924-7518.

We will be testing all staff and residents that reside in healthcare next week. Indoor visitation is subject to change at a moment's notice based on the results of these tests or if there is an increase of COVID cases in our local jurisdiction.

Our latest results since the beginning of COVID-19 are: (As of August 19, 2021)

	#Positives	#Deaths	#Returned to Work	#Became Negative	#Still Positive
Healthcare Residents	33	7	N/A (not applicable)	26	0
Staff	46	0	46	N/A (not applicable)	0

We appreciate your continued support and understanding. We continue to work with The Maryland Department of Health and local health departments in monitoring the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus.

Please remember that the virus has not gone away, even after the initial rounds of the vaccination have been administered, so it is still important to remain vigilant.

Below are our vaccination statistics as of August 19, 2021:

	Residents	Staff
Total Number	72	183
Received 1 st shot	71	163
Percent 1 st shot	99%	89%
Fully Vaccinated	68	159
Percent Fully Vaccinated	94%	87%

Vaccinations:

Friends House has mandated that all staff must be vaccinated against COVID-19 except for bona fide medical or religious reasons. The deadline to be fully vaccinated is September 30, 2021. We have begun to offer the COVID-19 vaccination on-site for staff and residents.

We are closely monitoring all announcements related the booster vaccination shot. If and when it becomes mandatory, we will formulate a process to administer booster vaccination shots to residents and staff.

Stay Safe,

Friends House Management