



October 8, 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. This week's test results have yielded no positive tests.

Visiting update:

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.

In order to decrease the chance of spreading COVID-19, any visitor coming into the building must show proof of vaccination or have had a negative PCR test within the last 72 hours or a negative rapid test within the last 24 hours.

Indoor visitation is subject to change at a moment's notice based on an increase of COVID-19 cases in our local jurisdiction or the state. We are closely monitoring the COVID-19 activity within the state and Montgomery County.

Our latest results since the beginning of COVID-19 are: (As of October 7, 2021)

	#Positives	#Deaths	#Returned to Work	#Became Negative	#Still Positive
Healthcare Residents	33	7	N/A (not applicable)	26	0
Staff	48	0	47	N/A (not applicable)	1

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. Please refrain from visiting if you are not feeling well, whether because of COVID symptoms or not.

Below are our vaccination statistics as of October 7, 2021:

	Residents	Staff
Total Number	74	186
Received 1 st shot	73	185
Percent 1 st shot	99%	99%
Fully Vaccinated	73	183
Percent Fully Vaccinated	99%	98%

Vaccinations: Booster Shots

The following groups SHOULD be offered a 3rd dose of Pfizer vaccine at least 6 months after the original series:

- Individuals who originally were given the Pfizer vaccine and
- are over 65 OR
- who live in long term care settings OR
- are 50-64 years old with underlying medical conditions.

We will be setting up a vaccine booster clinic for our Health Care residents by mid-October.

Stay Safe,

Friends House Management