



January 18, 2022

Dear Residents & Family Members,

There are new State of Maryland directives that affect visitors in the Health Care Center **ONLY** beginning January 21, 2022, due to the level of transmission in the local community being **HIGH**.

THE ITEMS BELOW WILL APPLY FOR AS LONG AS MONTGOMERY COUNTY REMAINS IN A STATE OF HIGH TRANSMISSION – or until the State of Maryland changes the directives.

This means that, if you wish to visit, one of the three things below applies:

1. You will be asked to provide proof of a negative test obtained within 72 hours of entry,
OR
2. You can agree to be tested on site using a point of care/rapid test. (If the test is positive, you may not visit),
OR
3. You decline #1 and #2 above in writing, in which case you may visit as long as you wear a face covering, physically distance and visit your loved one inside the resident room.

NOTE: Visitors who have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 90 days are exempt from testing upon showing their positive test result that is more than 5 days from the time of visit as long as they are no longer exhibiting symptoms.

Visiting update:

We continue to be in “outbreak” status.

For the Health Care Center: Visitors must be screened at the front door of Stabler unit and, after completing negative testing and/or paperwork in accordance with the above, proceed directly to the room of the resident they are visiting. The visitor is only to meet with the resident they are there to visit with. Do not mingle or speak with other residents and do not move to the hallways other than to enter and exit the building.

For Assisted Living: Visitors coming to Haviland will need to be screened at the double doors or the rear ambulance entrance (the door off the parking lot) and proceed directly to the room of the resident they are visiting. The visitor is only to meet with the resident they are there to visit with. Do not mingle with or talk with other residents.

Visitors must also wear masks and maintain social distancing while in the hallways.

Thank you all for your patience as we answer the doors when the front desk is not staffed.

Please remember that the virus has not gone away, even after 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 other symptoms.**

This table now represents the figures as of Jan 13, 2022 for the current “outbreak” which began December 21, 2021:

| | #Positives | #Deaths | #Returned to Work |
|----------------------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| Healthcare Residents | 11 | 0 | (not applicable) |
| Staff | 34 | 0 | 18 |

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.

Below are our current vaccination statistics, including nursing home and assisted living:

| | Residents | Staff |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------|
| Total Average | 80 | 200 |
| Received 1 st shot | 77 | 199 |
| Percent 1 st shot | 96.25% | 99% |
| Fully Vaccinated | 77 | 199 |
| Percent Fully Vaccinated | 96.25% | 99% |

Stay Safe,

Friends House Management