



A National Lutheran Community

To: All Residents and Team Members

From: Kyle Hreben, Executive Director

Date: March 6, 2020

Subject: Coronavirus Update – Low Risk Exposure

Memorandum

On Friday, March 6, 2020 at 2:30 p.m., The Village at Rockville was notified by the Maryland Department of Health, Infectious Disease and Office of Health Care Quality of a LOW RISK potential of CoVID-19 (coronavirus) exposure at The Village at Rockville. This risk occurred on February 28, 2020 between 12 noon and 6 p.m. during a Shiva held in Lang Hall.

The Department of Health has expressed that the risk of exposure during this event was low. However, taking the best practice in precaution, we are working closely with the Department of Health to follow their recommended procedures for monitoring conditions through March 13, 2020. At this point, the Department of Health has confirmed that those who attended the event do not need to be self-quarantined unless symptoms occur. Additionally, they have also confirmed that those who did not attend the event do not need to self-monitor.

We believe one of the most important facts that can be shared is that if anyone begins to experience a fever, a cough or has a change in respiratory conditions, precautions should be taken to avoid public environments until those conditions have subsided or diagnosed.

As a resident, if you attended this event in Lang Hall on February 28, please contact Stephanie Winters, RN, infection control and quality assurance manager at 301-354-8459. She will begin the monitoring plan immediately.

As this Shiva also included guests from the greater community, the Maryland Department of Health will be sending a public release requesting those who attended the event contact their public health number so that those community members can also be monitored for symptoms through March 13.

Additionally, as a precautionary measures, we are taking the following actions:

- We will be performing health screenings on all independent living residents through March 13.
- All ConnectedLiving events will be cancelled through March 14.
- Visitor hours will be restricted to the hours of 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. We're also asking all to limit their visitation during this time.
- Only the main doors at the chapel entrance will be used for all building access; the terrace level doors will be locked with no key card access.

We are grateful for the quick response of the Department of Health to provide their information and guidance with us. We will be working closely with all of our residents and the Department of Health over the next several days.