



**To:** All Residents, Families and Team Members  
**From:** Kyle Hreben, Executive Director  
**Date:** January 1, 2021  
**Subject:** Path Forward Update

# Memorandum

Happy New Year! As we celebrate the beginning of 2021 we are still counting down – counting down with excitement to our first COVID-19 Vaccine Day on Tuesday, January 5. Registration response from both Health Center residents and team members has been tremendous. Thank you to everyone for taking this step forward with us.

The information that we have been provided by CVS, our partner pharmacy, is that our community will be given the Pfizer vaccine. You'll find additional information on the [Pfizer vaccine](#) attached.

Over the past few days, our clinical leadership team has contacted Health Center residents or their decision makers regarding the vaccine, and our Education team has been working on vaccine education with our team members. Conversations have been great and supportive of the efforts that The Village at Rockville has taken to ensure education on the vaccine. We have had some questions of [what to expect immediately following the vaccine](#), so we've included a document from the Centers of Disease Control to provide additional information.

Please be aware that all virtual and window visits for both of our vaccine clinic days on January 5 and January 26 have been cancelled. This will enable our entire team to provide extra care and interaction with residents on these days.

Although the vaccine is one step in efforts to mitigate COVID-19, we must continue to adhere to the current visitation guidelines provided by the state of Maryland and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, which limit in-person visitations to those in need of compassionate care visits.

Additionally, we will continue to follow the twice weekly testing as directed by the Department of Health. In this week's twice weekly COVID testing, one contractor tested positive. All other tests were negative.

As a reminder, for Health Center residents who are out of the building for 24 hours or more, the current guidance from Department of Health indicates that the resident may be moved to our observation neighborhood on the third floor. The Clinical team reviews each case on an individual basis and works closely with Department of Health to make these decisions.

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In other community news:

- Glenmere, our independent living expansion, opens on Monday, January 4, with the arrival of new residents in the community. Our virtual ribbon cutting event is scheduled for Tuesday, February 2 at 2 p.m.
- Dining Services debuted their new Glenmere kitchen preparing a complimentary “Taste of Glenmere” for the IL residents. Residents were able to choose between a buffalo mozzarella slider and signature crab soup to start. All the residents received a signature salad, steak frites, and a mousse dessert. The menu also included a variety of signature cocktails.
- Our Health Center residents celebrated New Year’s Eve brunch with a special brunch of:
  - Butternut squash and apple soup
  - Chicken salad croissant or smoked salmon on mini bagel with sliced tomato, lettuce, red onion, capers
  - Roasted potatoes
  - Broccoli
  - Double chocolate cake
- IL residents celebrated the new year with a drive-by brunch event on New Year’s Day:
  - A split of champagne and orange juice
  - French toast bites with raspberry sauce
  - Mini mushroom and scallion quiche
  - Bacon wrapped dates
  - Smoke salmon triangles
  - Mini fresh fruit skewer

As 2020 comes to an end, we look forward to the promises that lay ahead in 2021. We have certainly experienced so much together throughout this year that none of us would have ever imagined. I am grateful for your trust, confidence and partnership as we have and will continue to navigate this time together. Happy New Year!

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**For reference:**

Path Forward	<a href="http://www.thevillageatrockville.org/pathforward">www.thevillageatrockville.org/pathforward</a>
COVID-19 Dashboard	<a href="http://www.thevillageatrockville.org/covid-19-dashboard">www.thevillageatrockville.org/covid-19-dashboard</a>
Window Visits	<a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/tvarvisits">www.signupgenius.com/go/tvarvisits</a>
Virtual Visits	<a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/tvarvirtualvisits">www.signupgenius.com/go/tvarvirtualvisits</a>