

A National Lutheran Community

To: All residents, families and team membersFrom: Kyle Hreben, Executive DirectorDate: August 27, 2021Subject: Community Path Forward Update

Memorandum

We are happy to share an update we received from the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) today. We continue to advocate for residents while adhering to MDH guidance, and federal, state and local regulations.

We will complete another round of testing next week for all Health Center residents and staff. You will be notified of the results once they are received.

Based on guidance from MDH, we are able to make the following adjustments to our visitation status:

Assisted Living

All Assisted Living residents and team members have tested negative for COVID-19 for two consecutive weeks. Therefore, **effective Saturday, August 28, 2021,** MDH has authorized the re-opening of indoor visitation (between 10 a.m. -7 p.m.), small group programs, limited salon appointments and limited communal dining. One visit per resident per day.

Skilled Nursing (second and third floors)

Due to one positive case of COVID-19 in a skilled nursing neighborhood earlier this week, we have not yet been authorized for indoor visitation. However, we have been cleared to initiate socially distanced outdoor visitation (weather permitting) beginning Tuesday, August 31, 2021.

Important notes on outdoor visitation:

- All outdoor visits will take place under the terrace level portico, located on the rear side of the Health Center.
- Visit <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/familyvisits</u> to schedule visits
 - Tuesdays 10 a.m. to noon and 6:30-8 p.m.
 - Thursdays 10 a.m. to noon
 - Fridays 10 a.m. to noon
- To ensure visitation opportunities for all, residents may have one 20-minute visit per week
- Sign ups will lock one calendar day in advance. For example, to visit on Tuesday, you must sign up for your visit by Sunday at 11:59 p.m.
- Masks must be appropriately worn for the entire visit.
- If visits must be cancelled for any reason, you will be notified through email.

For our skilled nursing neighborhoods, communal dining and group programs remain on hold.

We thank you for you continued support and understanding.