



A National Lutheran Community

To: All residents, families and team members

From: Kyle Hreben, Executive Director

Date: October 8, 2021

Subject: Health Center Path Forward Update

Memorandum

Over the last twenty months or so since the pandemic began, one of the things we have missed most is seeing the Health Center abuzz with activity each day. Recently we have been so encouraged by all the activity we are seeing, as residents and families are able to visit together with greater frequency. We hope you are enjoying the expanded visitation hours we announced last week. In case you missed the new guidelines, they are included below:

- Residents may have more than one visit session per day
- Visitation hours are 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
- No more than two visitors in the room at one time
- Family can leave the building and return later the same day as needed
- Per federal and state guidance, visitors should limit movement throughout the building by visiting in a resident's room/apartment or outdoors.
- Visitors should adhere to our protocols of infection prevention by:
 - o Screening in/out each visit
 - o Present vaccination card upon entry
 - o Performing hand hygiene upon entry and as needed
 - o Wear a mask in hallways and throughout the building if unvaccinated
 - o Visitors who are not vaccinated or those who do not show proof of vaccination must wear KN95 masks, and masks must be worn at all times, even in the resident's room/apartment.
 - o Maintain social distance from other residents, visitors and team members
 - o Meal assistance must be done in the resident's room

Also, as a reminder, information on flu shots and booster shots will be available soon for Health Center residents. Families will be contacted within the next few weeks to complete the consent forms for those residents unable to do so themselves.

Don't forget, Chaplain Charlene is expecting to see some of you at in-person worship. This month, residents may attend worship on the following dates at 3 p.m.:

- Tuesday, October 19
- Tuesday, October 26

Also, Chaplain will provide a special Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 17 at 4 p.m. on the Lang Hall patio. Animals of any kind are welcome. They will be blessed with anointing oil for the part they play in God's creation of making their owners very happy. If you cannot bring the actual pet, you may bring a picture to be blessed.

We are so pleased to provide many opportunities for residents and their families to explore, evolve and thrive in our community. In addition to the ConnectedLiving programming we provide residents each day, we are always happy when families can join in the festivities.

Members of the ConnectedLiving team are organizing a Veterans Day parade on November 11. If you are interested in honoring your loved one by participating in the parade, please contact Isabel Bouchard at mbouchard@thevillageatrockville.org. We are also planning celebrations for Alzheimer's Awareness and Halloween. Residents will enjoy various celebrations in their neighborhoods in the Health Center. The Walk to End Alzheimer's is this Sunday, October 10, and there is still time to sign up to walk with us! Register [here](#), and we will look forward to seeing some resident families at the walk. Then we'll see you again on October 23 for our drive-thru Trick-or-Treat event. Share the flyers attached to this email with friends and family members and watch these updates for more information on these and other community engagement opportunities. Have a wonderful weekend!

For reference: Path Forward /COVID Dashboard www.thevillageatrockville.org/pathforward