



A National Lutheran Community

To: All Health Center residents and families
From: Erin Wheeler, Interim Executive Director
Date: November 5, 2022
Subject: Assisted Living Path Forward update

Memorandum

We are pleased to report that no additional Assisted Living residents or staff have tested positive since our last update. We continue to work closely with the Maryland Department of Health and our onsite Infection Preventionist.

Effective today, November 5, 2022, our residents on quarantine will complete their required isolation and can once again move about the neighborhood.

We want to remind you of our current protocols when visiting the Health Center and our residents. Please see the guidelines on page 2.

Our infection control practices in Assisted Living and throughout the Health Center continue to align with or exceed the CDC and Maryland Department of Health requirements.

Please be aware of our COVID updates posted on our website informing you of our status and of any COVID cases on our campus. <https://www.thevillageatrockville.org/path-forward/>

Thank you for your continued support.

The Village at Rockville

Current Visitation Guidelines

1. **IMPORTANT:** Visitors should NOT visit when ill. Continually monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19. If any signs or symptoms occur such as coughing, fever, difficulty breathing, muscle pain, diarrhea, vomiting, headaches, loss of smell/taste, contact your primary care physician for next steps and inform our front desk staff by calling 301.424.4650.
2. Visitors will be screened upon entry to the building. This includes a questionnaire and signs or symptoms of respiratory illness or a fever. If there is a sign or symptom or concerns with questionnaire answers, the visitor will not be allowed to enter.
3. After the screening, each visitor must conduct proper hand hygiene and wear a facility provided mask. You should only touch the mask by the ear loops or strings.
4. Masks must be worn during the entire visit regardless of vaccine status or location in the building. Visitors should perform hand hygiene frequently throughout the visit and limit interactions with others in the community.
5. The visitor is restricted to visiting in the resident's room and should limit the touching of surfaces. We ask visitors not to visit other residents or stand/sit in common areas.
6. Please follow all posted information and directions given during your visit. Adhere to signs posted outside rooms at all times.
7. For visitors who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19, it is safest to defer non-urgent in-person visitation until 10 days after their close contact.
8. Visitors are no longer required to be tested for COVID-19. We encourage all visitors to be tested on their own before coming to our community.
9. If any visitor is unable to follow the infection control protocols, they will not be allowed to continue their visit. Visitors younger than 2 years old are discouraged from visiting.
10. To obtain on-going community specific COVID information, please visit our website: <https://www.thevillageatrockville.org/path-forward/>