



A National Lutheran Community

**To:** All Health Center residents and families  
**From:** Erin Wheeler, Healthcare Administrator  
**Date:** December 2, 2022  
**Subject:** Health Center Path Forward update

## Memorandum

As of the writing of this memo, we have several short-term rehab guests on 3 Maryland and long-term care residents on 2 Potomac who have tested positive for COVID. Through contract tracing, we identified the exposure of our long-term care residents. Unfortunately, we are not able to identify the source of our 3 Maryland residents' positive cases.

Those positive are doing well and are following current guidance for quarantine. Staff and residents with potential exposure will be tested and monitored according to the Maryland Department of Health regulations.

We ask for careful consideration of any holiday plans that include residents or guests residing in our community.

It is crucial anyone who visits our community follow the visitation guidelines below.

Health Center visitation guidelines:

- **If you are ill or not feeling well do not visit.**
- Visitors are not required to be tested for COVID; however, we encourage all visitors to be tested on their own before coming to our community.
- All visitors shall always wear a mask. (no cloth masks allowed)
- If you have recently tested positive for COVID, visitors may not visit for a minimum of ten days from the positive test date, as long as they are no longer exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19.
- Upon each entry to the Health Center:
  - Visitors must complete the COVID-19 screening
  - Perform hand hygiene (alcohol-based hand sanitizer acceptable)
  - Put on a fresh mask provided at the front desk of the Health Center.
- If any visitor is unable to follow the infection control protocols, they will not be allowed to continue their visit. Visitors younger than two (2) years old are discouraged from visiting.
- Visitors can visit anytime throughout the day but may not stay overnight.
- Visitors are authorized to be in a resident's room/apartment or in designation visitation areas with their loved one. Visitors should not visit other residents.
- Visitors may not join in any programming/activities at this time.

The Village at Rockville staff are continuing our diligence in disinfection and enhanced cleaning of our surfaces. Daily COVID symptom monitoring and testing as needed continues to be completed routinely. We continue to update our Path Forward dashboard with any COVID cases on our campus. Please monitor this link for the most up-to-date information. <https://www.thevillageatrockville.org/path-forward/>.

Thank you for your continued support of our efforts to keep our residents, staff, and visitors safe.