

LUTHERAN CARE CENTER

April 21, 2025—Covid Positive Residents

Dear Residents and Family Members:

Last week we had a few events to celebrate, but unfortunately, the absence of Covid cases was not one of them. Since our last posting, we have been following NYS DOH testing and retesting guidelines and identified several residents with Covid. There is currently a total of three Covid positive residents in the facility. Those residents are confined to Units 2 North and 1 South, so out of an abundance of caution, those units are temporarily closed. The two remaining units are open for visitation.

Thanks to vaccines, boosters, masking, and anti-viral medications, the virus has evolved over the years and, thankfully, is less virulent. However, it remains a threat to the vulnerable population we serve. As we know, the best defense is a good offense which, in our case, means limiting virus transmission to unaffected residents. The most effective way to do this is to keep it confined to those two units. While we understand this is frustrating and disappointing, it is in the best interest of all of our residents. Reopening of all units as soon as possible is our goal. As always, Lutheran Care Center will adhere to the NYSDOH testing and quarantine/isolation guidance, as well as to our Medical Director's expertise.

Still in effect is our recommendation not to visit the facility if you are feeling unwell, have any of the symptoms of a respiratory illness, or suspect you may have been exposed to someone with Covid, Flu, or RSV. Instead, please stay connected to your loved one via virtual visitation until you're feeling better or have a confirmed negative test result. Our staff can assist you with updates on your loved one, or if needed, provide assistance to contact them.

Questions and concerns should be directed to your nurse manager or our social workers, and please check this site frequently for updates. Be well!

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Administrator