

COVID-19 UPDATE

5-23-2022—Confirmed Covid-19 Case

Dear Residents and Family Members:

I hope everyone managed to stay cool during the record-breaking temperatures this weekend! Luckily, our air conditioning system made us proud and kept everyone comfortable—inside! Memorial Day is fast approaching, and we are planning some special outdoor activities for the residents on Monday. Special activities are nothing without some special desserts and treats for everyone, and each resident “Veteran” will be proudly presented with a generously donated American flag to honor them for their service! We are hopeful the weather will cooperate.

On Saturday, May 23, we identified one staff person testing positive for Covid-19. That staffer is currently isolating at home, and the results were reported to the NYS and Dutchess County Departments of Health. The other two staff that were isolating have returned and are feeling healthy and happy!

Several of our residents that tested positive recently have completed their required isolation periods, and the remainder are continuing to improve and are anxiously waiting to be “sprung!” A “Booster Clinic” was held here on Saturday, and we successfully boosted several more residents bringing our resident “up to date” status to approximately 92%. In addition, nursing homes are not required to routinely test staff that are up to date with their vaccines. However, due to rising cases in our area, LCC is being proactive and has recently tested almost 150 staff to ensure our residents’ safety—and we were happy with the results!

Now that warmer temps are on the horizon, outdoor visitation is encouraged. There are designated areas set up in front of the building and on the north side courtyard. We are still requesting all visitors not to remove your masks when you are with a resident. If you do, please make every effort to physically distance from your loved one, as well as other residents and their visitors. A negative covid test result is still required in NY State nursing homes.

Until the current surge in our area declines, you can take advantage of “virtual visitation.” Whenever possible, please consider staying connected by utilizing FaceTime, Skype and Zoom. Carolyn and her staff can assist you, if needed.

Covid-19 and its variants are still alive and well, so protect yourself and our residents by masking in public, getting tested if not feeling well, staying home if you were exposed or are having symptoms, and staying up to date on vaccine recommendations.

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Administrator