

Friday January 8, 2021

To Residents and Resident Family Members of Licensed Area Neighborhoods:

This week's update!

Unfortunately, we continue to have individuals test positive for COVID-19. I can reassure you this is not due to a lack of infection control practices, a lack of use of personal protective equipment, nor a lack of training. Makes sense to see a rise in cases with the Lexington County positivity rates continuing to rise, at 12.9% this week, coupled with three major holidays with gatherings galore.

Because of positive cases, resident and staff testing continues and quarantine measures remain in place for some neighborhoods. Below is the most recent resident testing, results, isolation protocols, and visitation guidelines per neighborhood.

*Please note the scheduling links on Calendly are temporarily disabled while we are only approving Compassionate Care visits.

Testing, Isolation, and Visitation Updates

River Banks Assisted Living

- **Tests Conducted:** Residents are not currently undergoing routine COVID-19 testing.
- **Isolation:** 2 residents are currently on isolation.
- **Visits:** Compassionate Care visits are being scheduled for the River Banks neighborhood only. These visits are approved by Nicole Smith, ADON.

Saluda Skilled Nursing Neighborhood

- **Tests Conducted:** Residents were tested on 1-4-2021 and 1 resident tested positive.
- **Isolation:** Isolation started 12-10-2020 and isolation is to end 1-19-2021 for Saluda assuming there are no further positive exposures or new cases.
- **Visits:** Compassionate Care for End of Life visits are being scheduled for the Saluda neighborhood only. These visits are approved by Tammy Freeborn, ADON.

Broad Skilled Nursing Neighborhood

- **Tests Conducted:** Residents are not currently undergoing routine COVID-19 testing.
- **Isolation:** Residents are not currently on isolation.
- **Visits:** Compassionate Care visits are being scheduled for the Broad neighborhood only. These visits are approved by Tammy Freeborn, ADON.

Congaree Skilled Nursing Neighborhood

- **Tests Conducted:** Residents are not currently undergoing routine COVID-19 testing.
- **Isolation:** Residents are not currently on isolation.
- **Visits:** Compassionate Care visits are being scheduled for the Congaree neighborhood only. These visits are approved by Tammy Freeborn, ADON.

Rose Gardens Memory Care

- **Tests Conducted:** Residents are not currently undergoing routine COVID-19 testing.
- **Isolation:** Residents are not currently on isolation.
- **Visits:** Compassionate Care visits are being scheduled for the Rose Gardens neighborhood only. These visits are approved by Nicole Smith, ADON.

Sanders R. Guignard Rehab Suites

- **Tests Conducted:** Residents will begin routine COVID-19 testing on 1-12-2021.
- **Isolation:** Isolation started on 1-5-2021 and isolation is to end 1-19-2021 for Sanders assuming there are no further positive exposures or new cases.
- **Visits:** Compassionate Care visits for End of Life are being scheduled for the Sanders neighborhood only. These visits are approved by Deanna Barfield, ADON.

Employee Testing

- **Tests Conducted:** Because the county positivity rate is above 10% (Lexington is at 12.9%), Saluda has residents and staff that are COVID positive, and Sanders has a positive exposure, testing will continue to occur twice a week until 14 days have passed without any new positive COVID cases. As of 1-5-2021, eight employees have tested positive (two employees in Saluda, one employee in Sanders, three employees in Solutions for Living at Home, and two administrative employees). All employees followed proper precautions while at work.
- **Recovery:** Employees were triaged by employee health and sent home for recovery.

Visitation Links for Scheduling

Currently we are only able to accommodate Compassionate Care visits for Congaree, Broad, Saluda (End of Life circumstances only), Sanders (End of Life circumstances only), River Banks, and Rose Gardens according to DHEC guidelines. Please contact the Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) that oversees the neighborhood your loved one lives in to get approval for visits. Online scheduling is postponed until further notice and the links have been disabled. I do apologize for the change in visitation and I am sure you can understand our need to reduce further potential exposures to our residents during this time.

COVID-19 Vaccine

CVS administered the first dose of the Moderna vaccine to our residents and staff this week. The clinics were very successful. Another set of clinics will be set up in February to provide the booster shot for those that received the initial vaccine shot this week. Information will be provided later this month.

Other ways to Communicate

We will continue to assist with Zoom calls and FaceTime calls. If you have presents, food, treats, or any other deliveries, you may drop them off at the front desk anytime. The front desk is staffed 24/7 so we can deliver to the resident's room. Please remember to include the resident's name and the room number on the deliveries. Window visits and FaceTime visits are scheduled through activities.

Hilary will contact you if your visit has been cancelled and you will receive an email notification of the cancellation. If you are participating in a compassionate care visit, please do not visit if you are experiencing any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 or have been exposed or potentially exposed to someone that is positive for COVID-19.

Please reach out with any questions.

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