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## Luther Manor Continuing Precautions Related to COVID-19

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There are still no newly acquired cases of COVID-19 on either of Luther Manor campuses, which is where our energy continues to go. This remains our highest priority. Thank you for all the support, especially as this pandemic carries forward!

Here is what is happening on the campus:

- The CDC is now requiring that anyone coming from the hospital to a skilled nursing facility or assisted living program to undergo heightened observations for 14 days, even those not known to have Coronavirus. If possible, they are also requiring these observation patients to be on a dedicated unit. As a result, any health care center or assisted living resident who returns from the hospital will spend 14 days in observation on this unit before returning to their room. Fortunately, Luther Manor is very large and we have the space available to dedicate a specific wing of our Transitional Care Rehabilitation Center for residents returning from the hospital. This is a separate wing, with a separate entrance, separate staff and heightened precautions. The belief is that this observation period will add another layer of prevention in helping to stop the spread of the virus since symptoms may not appear for up to 14 days. Observation status is not that much different than the precautions we are currently taking except that staff will wear additional PPE and additional precautions will be taken to ensure residents remain in their rooms.
- We wanted to share a special thank you to Kingo Lutheran Church in Shorewood for the master mask making award. They were the first team to drop off our initial 42 and their stream of new masks kept showing up! This is definitely not a skill of ours and without these we would be in a much more challenging place with our mask inventory. Thank you Kingo and all mask makers that have been dropping them off.

The thank you's for our staff keep coming and they are greatly appreciated! Here is some awesome sidewalk artwork that was done over the weekend at various entrances to show staff how much they mean to our families and residents. We also attached a photo of delicious baked goods from the family of one of our health care center residents. Remember, keep those calls, cards and emails coming and thank you!!



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