

# Luther Manor Continuing Precautions Related to COVID-19

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The safety of our residents and staff remain our top priority and we will continue with our protocols, precautions and daily screening of staff and all Health Care Center and Assisted Living Residents. All visitor restrictions remain.

Thank you for your support, partnerships and commitment to our residents and staff as the pandemic continues to evolve. Please continue to connect with your loved ones as often as you can. Don't forget our Sharing God's Love team is here to help! Just email <u>SharingGodsLove@LutherManor.org</u> to get started.

#### Shout Outs of Thanks!

- Thank you, to the Lamb family from Greendale, WI for the awesome cards, pictures and decoupage! Yes, I just said decoupage, let's see if our residents do too!
- Thank you, to the Cupid Crew from LifeLoop, one of our vendors that helps us with apartment and transportation tracking. They have a group of their employees that work on spreading goodwill and we were lucky enough to receive a full box of valentines that will be combined with a few other great partners valentines. Every resident should get multiple Valentine's Day cards this year!



# **Campus Happenings**



• Over the weekend, a resident of our Health Care Center tested positive for COVID-19 after returning from the hospital and was tested following our observation period requirements. All residents in the unit have been tested. If you were not notified then your loved one was not affected. Our protocol is to test all asymptomatic residents/patients coming from the hospital after 5 days to ensure the individual is not infected. This is a typical incubation period. If symptoms appear during this period, we will test the individual immediately. Should the test return positive, the individual is either moved to a location in the rehab unit or if feasible, we implement isolation precautions in their room.

### **Campus Update**

- With our staff and resident vaccinations moving us in the right direction, we ask for continued support and patience with maintaining visitor restrictions. We thank you for supporting your loved ones and encouraging them to follow mask wearing, hand hygiene and social distancing as well. We've had quite a few requests for visits from family and friends that have themselves been vaccinated. While the vaccines are believed to help minimize illness if an individual becomes infected, they are not expected to stop or minimize transmission. Like with the flu vaccine, it doesn't prevent you from getting the flu, it's intended to minimize the effect and speed recovery. At this time, we have not received direction from the Department of Health or the CDC to relax restrictions or reopen to the public. We continue to offer scheduled in-person visits when the program or area is not under quarantine precautions. We completely understand this has been going on for almost a year, but as health officials are advising, this is not the time to back off of prudent protocols and precautions. We will continue to keep you updated and thank you for your continued support!
- Our Courtyards program was released from their quarantine today and residents are now able to move about the building. As part of our reopening plan, in-person visits are being scheduled again. Families of Courtyard residents should contact our Life Enrichment Coordinator, Shari Garza, to schedule a visit with their loved one.

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