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## Luther Manor Continuing Precautions Related to COVID-19

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The safety of our residents and staff remains our top priority and we will continue with our protocols, precautions and screening of all staff and visitors upon arrival and all Health Care Center and Assisted Living Residents.

Thank you for your support, partnerships and commitment to our residents and staff as the pandemic continues to improve in our Country. Well before the COVID-19 pandemic started, the opportunity to engage our seniors has been a focus, especially for those who are short on family! Our Sharing God's Love team has been instrumental throughout COVID and remains here to help you share encouragement with residents and with our staff who continue to do a great job. Please email [SharingGodsLove@LutherManor.org](mailto:SharingGodsLove@LutherManor.org) to get started. If you have any questions please let us know.

### Campus Happenings

- With continued good news about COVID-19 cases declining, the challenging part is understanding that as a Healthcare provider to a vulnerable population, Luther Manor is an exception to the CDC guidelines on many of the pre-COVID freedoms. With this said we have had some improper conduct of family members we want to address. As I've mentioned multiple times, we are still under the guidelines that start with Senior Health Care Facilities being excluded from many of the guidelines being relaxed and are still regulated. Did you know that the Senior Living Industry is the second most regulated industry in the United States after Nuclear Power Plants?

We are asking all visitors to screen in upon arrival and screen out before leaving. Our goal is to keep all residents, staff and visitors safe and healthy, not to be an annoying bother to you or to infringe on your time or your freedoms. Below is an excerpt from the CDC website that reinforces our requirements. This is not something we take lightly and hope you can accept these requirements with open eyes and an open heart for our staff who are trying their best for your loved one.

*From the CDC website... What infection prevention and control practices are recommended when planning for and allowing visitation in post-acute and acute care facilities:*

- *Before allowing indoor visitation, the risks associated with visitation should be explained to patients/residents and their visitors so they can make an informed decision about participation.*
- *Full vaccination for visitors is always preferred, when possible.*



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- *Visitors should be screened and restricted from visiting, regardless of their vaccination status, if they have: current SARS-CoV-2 infection; symptoms of COVID-19; or prolonged close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period) with someone with SARS-CoV-2 infection in the prior 14 days or have otherwise met criteria for quarantine.*
- *Visitors, regardless of their vaccination status, should wear a [well-fitting cloth mask, facemask, or respirator](#) (N95 or a respirator approved under standards used in other countries that are similar to NIOSH-approved N95 filtering facepiece respirators) [for source control](#), except as described in the scenarios below.*
- *Hand hygiene should be performed by the patient/resident and the visitors before and after contact.*
- *Facilities should have a plan to manage visitation and visitor flow.*
  - *Visitors, regardless of their vaccination status, should physically distance (maintaining at least 6 feet between people) from other patients/residents, visitors that are not part of their group, and HCP in the facility, except as described in the scenarios below.*
- *Facilities might need to limit the total number of visitors in the facility at one time in order to maintain recommended infection control precautions. Facilities might also need to limit the number of visitors per patient/resident at one time to maintain any required physical distancing.*

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