

Luther Manor Weekly Happenings and Updates

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Campus Updates

 Today, we learned that two fully vaccinated staff members tested positive for COVID. One individual was in close contact with someone they know outside of Luther Manor who unknowingly had COVID.

All residents and staff who had direct contact have been tested and families were notified. This includes one resident at the Courtyards and six residents in the Health Care Center. These individuals will remain under isolation protocols in their rooms, carefully monitored for symptoms and changes in their condition, and tested again in 5 to 7 days if unvaccinated.

Earlier this week, we learned that two other staff members - both vaccinated - contracted COVID as well. In both cases, they believe the infection came from having close contact with a person outside of Luther Manor who unknowingly was infected. Neither of these individuals had been at Luther Manor in several days prior to testing positive.

 Cleary, the risk of contracting COVID is still very real. It appears that the further someone is from the point when they were vaccinated, protection seems to dissipate. Being vaccinated helps reduce symptoms if you become infected and helps prevent serious illness and hospitalization. The CDC is now advising everyone over the age of 18 to get a booster shot to increase protection.

Our next staff and resident COVID Vaccine opportunity is Thursday, December 2nd. We have a handful of residents and a few remaining staff being vaccinated. Thank you for your support as we continue to keep COVID in check! As a reminder if you wish for your loved one to be vaccinated or receive the booster, please let me know and I will work with our team to get them signed up for either December 2nd, 10th and/or 30th.

• With Thanksgiving holiday last week, where more and more people felt comfortable participating in family gatherings again, the risk is high that someone unexpectedly has COVID-19 and brings it into our facility when visiting. New CDC guidelines allow us to continue with visits even if there is a positive case in a unit, so with this in mind we would like to remind everyone that visitors are required to screen-in and wear face masks every visit. We once again ask all visitors and returning residents to practice proper hand hygiene upon arrival and frequently during a visit and upon departure. Last but not least, if you are not feeling well and/or answer yes to any of our screening questions



you consider not visiting and at least do not visit until you speak with one of our staff members about your specific circumstances.

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