



July 15, 2021

**COVID Update:**

Dear residents, family, and friends,

I know we reached out earlier in the week to let you know that we had two staff members that tested positive for COVID. Unfortunately, we have had another staff member test positive as well as a resident. All the staff members will remain off work and quarantined for the appropriate amount of time. The resident is currently in strict isolation precautions with staff that are solely dedicated to providing care for them so there is no cross-contamination.

Please be assured we are continuing to adhere to the core principles of COVID-19 infection prevention based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to help reduce the spread and impact of COVID-19. We are also continuing to work closely with Johnson County Health Department and Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) to ensure we mitigate as much risk as possible. We have been and continue to utilize measures such as:

- Enhanced infection control precautions – which includes continuous wear of KN95 face masks and other personal protective equipment.
- Screening residents, staff, and essential visitors for the expanded list of symptoms.
- Restricting indoor visitation unless permissible under CDC and CMS regulations.
- Testing of all residents and staff twice weekly, regardless of vaccination status, for COVID-19.

We are only allowed to have essential visitors in the building during this time. We are allowing window visits for any resident that is not in isolation or experiencing any symptoms. Once we have no new cases of COVID-19 for a period of 14 days we will be allowed to resume all visitation. If you would like to do a window visit or need assistance with setting up a virtual visit, please contact us at (913) 631-2146.

We will continue to keep you updated with any further changes. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Michelle Russell, Administrator