



# The Williamsport Home

June 17, 2022

Dear friends and families,

This letter serves to ensure you are informed of the COVID status in our facility. This information is very fluid and could change at any time. As always, we will keep you informed as new information is received.

Facility COVID positive numbers are noted in the table below. All newly positive cases are communicated to staff and our resident's primary contacts within 24 hours of identified cases, via our one-call phone notification system.

Number of cases	This table demonstrates data from June 11, 2022 through June 17, 2022.
0	CONFIRMED: Residents with new laboratory positive COVID-19
0	SUSPECTED: Residents with new suspected COVID-19
0	Confirmed: Staff with new positive COVID-19
0	COVID-19 DEATHS: Residents with suspected or laboratory positive COVID-19 who died in the facility or another location.

**Current Testing and Isolation-** No new cases to report since last week. We do have two residents who remain on isolation on the 400 hall. These are not new cases since last week's letter and they will come off of isolation on Sunday. We will be retesting residents in 300 and 400 halls early next week, if all are negative, we will be cleared from outbreak testing. Because our county community transmission risk is still high, we are testing all staff two times per week as a precaution.

**County Positivity Rates-** Our county positivity rate is 9.6% according to the CDC website on 6/17/22. While this is a decrease from last week's positivity rate, the transmission risk continues to be noted as high. Please be aware of the high transmission risk and the risk this poses to you. We recommend wearing a mask in public spaces, avoiding large gatherings, washing your hands frequently, and consider getting the vaccine or boosters if you are eligible.

**Visitation-** We ask that you please refrain from visiting even if you have minor symptoms such as a runny nose or sore throat. According to the CDC, people exhibiting these symptoms are testing positive for COVID. All visitors are required to follow the COVID infection control guidelines posted throughout our facility. These expectations include completing the COVID questions on our Accu-Shield system at the front desk. Our questions on the system have changed, so please read and respond to them correctly. If you answer yes to any of the symptom, exposure, or pending test questions, you are NOT permitted to visit for the protection of our residents and staff.

**Vaccines and Boosters-** CDC is strongly encouraging a second booster be provided to those over 50. We are providing booster clinics at our facility on a routine basis for residents and staff. We do ask that you be open to allowing your loved one to receive the second booster, if you haven't already, and we are happy to answer any questions or reservations you may have regarding the vaccine. While our residents and staff may still contract the virus, despite vaccination, being up to date with the vaccine is preventing serious illness.

We continue to follow guidance from the CDC, Department of Health, and CMS. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with our masking, screening and social distancing protocols for our facility. Our utmost priority is to protect the residents, staff, and their families. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

  
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