



The Williamsport Home

November 12, 2021

Dear friends and families,

We cannot stress enough the importance of vaccinations to curb the spread of COVID-19's Delta variant. They are a matter of safety as well as compliance with the federal government's plan to mandate vaccines for health care workers at Medicare and Medicaid facilities.

Nationwide, the median nursing home staff vaccination rate has hovered at around 64%, according to recent federal statistics. About 84% of residents are vaccinated. At The Williamsport Home all (100%) of the staff who work on the campus are vaccinated and 99% of the residents in our Skilled Nursing Center are vaccinated. Web users may search for vaccination rates at nursing homes near them on CMS's Care Compare site through [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov).

The addition of this new consumer-friendly data feature is a valuable tool for patients, residents, and families to understand the quality of nursing homes when making health care decisions

Booster shots are the next step in the continuing COVID battle and currently all our eligible residents have received their booster shots. Learn more about vaccine facts vs. myths with a downloadable PDF, blog and video blog, which are linked from our website's COVID-19 page.

Visitations are being monitored and controlled based on the [CDC's county view data tracker](#).

We are following guidance from [\(CDC\)](#), [Department of Health \(DOH\)](#) and [CMS](#) as well as the latest [COVID-19 infection control guidance](#) with relation to its impact on our residents and visitors. 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.

Number of cases	Our Facility's Resident Impact (October 28, 2021 through November 12, 2021):
0	ADMISSIONS: Residents admitted or readmitted who were previously hospitalized and treated for COVID-19
0	CONFIRMED: Residents with new laboratory positive COVID-19
0	SUSPECTED: Residents with new suspected COVID-19
3	Confirmed: Staff with new positive COVID-19
0	TOTAL DEATHS: Residents who died in the facility or another location
0	COVID-19 DEATHS: Residents with suspected or laboratory positive COVID-19 who died in the facility or another location.

We are excited to share that, because our positive cases have cleared, we have resumed group activities, effective Thursday, November 4. We also resumed communal dining for the lunch time meal on Tuesday, November 9. Of course, our ability to continue these services will depend on identification of any new COVID cases in our building.

As always, we appreciate that you entrust us with the care of your loved ones. We take very seriously our responsibility for your loved one's safety and well-being. If you have any questions, we are always available for you. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

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