

The Williamsport Home

February 18, 2022

Dear friends and families,

The following is the COVID update for The Williamsport Home. This information is very fluid and could change at any time. As always, we will keep you informed as new information is received.

Vaccines and Boosters- COVID-19 vaccines and boosters continue to be provided to our residents and employees as a matter of safety and to prevent COVID outbreaks in our facility. Currently 100% of our residents and staff are fully vaccinated. We are also making progress administering boosters to those who are eligible. Currently 100% of our long-term residents and 63% of our employees and vendors/contractors have received the booster.

You may see additional questions regarding vaccination status in our screening procedures in accordance with CMS requirement. At this time, you may or may not choose to disclose your vaccination status. Under the current CMS visitation guidelines, vaccination is not currently required to visit. If you are in a post-infection or post-exposure stage, we request that you refrain from visiting until after 10 to 14 days.

Visitation-Our visitation processes continue to be monitored and controlled based on CMS guidelines. All visitors are required to follow the COVID-19 infection control guidelines posted throughout the facility. This includes wearing a well-fitting mask and maintaining 6 feet of distance from other residents and staff, regardless of your vaccination status. 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.

County Positivity Rates- Our county positivity rate decreased even further this week to 9.8%, according to the CDC website on 2/18/22. While we are excited to see a downward trend in positive cases in our area, our county is still considered a high transmission risk. Continue to be mindful of the risk of contracting COVID-19 during indoor gatherings, especially with those who are not vaccinated. Please also consider getting the vaccine and/or booster if you are eligible.

Number of cases	This table demonstrates data from February 12, 2021 through February 18, 2022.
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
0	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 continue to follow guidance from the CDC, Department of Health, and CMS, as well as the latest COVID-19 infection control guidance in 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.

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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