CLARVIEW
NURSING & REHABILITATION CENTER

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Dear friends and families,

Because we take very seriously our responsibility for your loved one's safety and well-being, we ask your cooperation during visitation. Therefore, we ask that visitors give the due respect to our policies and to our front line care workers who have sacrificed much and worked hard throughout this pandemic to better serve our residents.

Please continue to contact Nicole Salvo, Director of Wellness at 814-745-2031 or nsalvo@clarview.care to schedule all your visitation needs.

Please note that we will reinforce expectations on visitors when entering our building.

1) Screening of all who enter the facility for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 to include:
    - Temperature checks,
    - Questions about and observations about signs or symptoms
    - Recent exposure to COVID-19
    - Denial of entry of those with signs or symptoms or those who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 infection in the prior 14 days (regardless of the visitor's vaccination status)
2) Practice hand hygiene (use of alcohol-based hand rub is preferred)
3) Wear well-fitting face covering or mask (covering mouth and nose)

Visitors who are not able to wear source control should be encouraged to use alternatives to on-site visits with patients (e.g., telephone or internet communication), particularly if the patient is at increased risk for severe illness from SARS-CoV-2 infection.

4) Practice Social distancing at least six feet between persons during all visitation and with other residents and staff members

Limit visitation to only your loved one.

Your cooperation and partnership in maintaining a safe environment for you, your loved one and our staff is appreciated. Visitors that are not able to adhere to the infection control requirements during visitation will be requested to leave.

We are following guidance from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention **(CDC),** Pennsylvania **Department of Health (DOH)** and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services **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 and social distancing protocols for our facility. Our utmost priority is to protect the residents and staff and their families.

Vaccinations curb the spread of the variant and are a matter of safety as well as compliance with the federal government's mandated vaccines for health care workers at Medicare and Medicaid facilities.

This week, the Pennsylvania Department of Health released new resources to help providers continue to encourage vaccine-hesitant residents and staff to consider the COVID-19 vaccine. The

Department has developed a series of new vaccine hesitancy materials to help you and your team can leverage in your vaccine outreach efforts including:

- vaccine outreach toolkit for long-term care facilities,
- education one-pager for SNFs and AL/PC communities,
- COVID-19 vaccination rate thermometer to track your progress

We are thankful that a large percentage of residents, their families and our staff have received the vaccine. COVID boosters and flu shots are recommended as well for your safety and your loved ones. We are working with our pharmacy partners to schedule vaccination clinics to administer booster shots to residents that meet the above criteria. We will keep you informed when clinics are scheduled.

For information about vaccination rates at nursing homes, please refer to CMS's Care Compare site through **Medicare.gov.** Learn about **vaccines near you** and the **CDC's fact sheet**.

Our current resident vaccination rate is 86% and our current staff vaccination rate is 82%. We continue to offer vaccination clinics for all unvaccinated staff members and residents.

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 monitored and controlled based on the **CDC's county view data tracker.**

Our Facility's Resident Impact (since the federal government issued reporting requirements on May 8, 2020, through October 22, 2021):

Number of cases	
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	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.

As always, we appreciate that you entrust us with the care of your loved ones. If you have any questions, we are always available for you. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

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