



Redstone Presbyterian

SeniorCare

Covid-19 updates for September 7, 2020

Dear Residents, Families, and Friends,

We have been on this Covid-19 journey together for nearly six months. These past few days have been our most challenging. Yesterday, we reported an additional three cases among our workforce on the Greensburg campus. Today, we have the results of testing nearly 200 employees and residents on our North Huntingdon campus. From this testing, we have learned that one additional employee has tested positive, along with four of our residents. These residents were all a part of the contact tracing from a previously reported positive employee. Two of these residents live in Independent Living, and two in Personal Care. Those who have tested positive, along with their families, have been notified. We are continuing to do our contact tracing of those who may have been exposed to positive cases, and those who emerge as part of this contact tracing will be notified within the next 24 hours.

For now, we are launching the following steps on our North Huntingdon campus:

- We will resume meal delivery services across all levels of care and will close the dining rooms.
- The beauty salon, gift shop, and activity spaces will be closed. Group activities and transportation are cancelled for all levels of care on the North Huntingdon campus.
- The in-person visitor program for Courtyard and Terrace residents will not be available until further notice.
- We cannot require, but we strongly recommend, that Independent Living residents isolate themselves as much as possible until we complete our contact tracing and next round of testing.
- Visits to Independent Living residents may continue, but we urge families to be cautious with their visits and practice strong social distancing and always wear your masks.
- Independent Living residents may continue to leave the campus in their private vehicles, or in the company of family members. Please remember that residents should be vigilant in their mask wearing and social distancing if they choose to leave the campus.
- Because residents of the Terrace unit have already been exposed to the virus, and because the nature of the Terrace unit makes it difficult to isolate residents within their

rooms, the Terrace unit will be designated a RED zone and all appropriate cautions will be taken by the employees who work within this zone. Negative pressure air exchange units will be set up in the Terrace to provide enhanced air quality for this area.

- Additional rounds of testing will be required until all residents and employees from the North Huntingdon campus test negative for Covid-19. This testing will include all residents and employees who are deemed necessary to test based upon our contact tracing. Our next round of testing in North Huntingdon is scheduled for tomorrow (Tuesday.)

As for our Greensburg campus, our next round of testing for employees, Personal Care, and Skilled Nursing residents will also take place tomorrow (Tuesday.) We must continue to test regularly until all tests are negative. The Independent Living Dining Room remains open in Greensburg, because there have been no positive cases among these residents. We do suggest caution and careful social distancing for our Independent Living residents on this campus, too. Greensburg Independent Living residents may continue to receive guests in their private apartments as per the visitor policy, and to leave the campus as they wish, but mask wearing and social distancing are critical. In-person visits for Skilled Nursing and Personal Care (Courtyard and Garden levels) remain on hold in Greensburg. Group activities and non-essential trips are also on hold for these levels of care, and these residents may not access the beauty salon, gift shop, or fitness center.

As for our Murrysville campus, we have had no positive cases. Therefore, operations and visitor programs remain normal on this campus. The wearing of masks and careful social distancing is strongly encouraged across all levels of care.

We will continue to update you regularly with test results and any operational changes that are being made as a result of positive Covid-19 test results. We sincerely ask for your prayers for our residents and our team members as we navigate these very challenging times. If you have questions or concerns related to our Covid-19 response, please contact the Hotline using the information below.

Sincerely,

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