



Dear Residents,

Here are your COVID-19 updates for Sunday, March 15, 2020.

We continue to enforce the NO VISITOR policy in Personal Care and Skilled Nursing. Residents in Personal Care and Skilled Nursing must stay in their own rooms. Meals will be delivered to the room. Our Lifestyle Team continues to assist residents and families with setting up skype visits if needed. Please contact Jill Wolfe at jwolfe@redstone.org if you or your family wishes to set up a Skype visit and she will help to get one scheduled.

Visitors to Independent Living residents will be limited to two visitors at a time and must be immediate family members. Our best advice, however, is that our IL residents and their families choose to significantly limit their visits at this time. Minimizing contact with visitors from the outside will help to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. Independent Living residents are encouraged to practice self-isolation as much as is possible. You may choose to still visit the dining room, or you may order your meals via CATIE and have them delivered to your room.

Beginning on Monday, March 16, we will be implementing periodic assessments of wellness for IL residents. Your temperature will be monitored and you will be asked some questions about your exposure to those with respiratory symptoms or those who have recently traveled. Residents who have a fever of over 100 degrees, exhibit respiratory symptoms, or who have been in contact with those with risk factors, will be asked to self-quarantine.

There are NO ACTIVITIES across all levels of care. In addition, we discourage the casual gatherings of residents that occur in Independent Living. Even a simple card game among friends can lead to the transmission of germs, and so we must advise against these gatherings.

Residents may not visit or move around levels of care other than their own.

Residents of Personal Care and the Skilled Nursing Home may not leave Redstone with family members. Independent Living residents are discouraged from leaving the building, especially when going into busy public locations.

The Beauty Shops on all campuses, and the Bistro in Greensburg, remain closed until further notice. If you have hygiene concerns related to the Beauty Shop, please speak with your Campus Director. The Gift Shops will remain open for access by IL residents and employees, only.

ALL who do come on to our campuses must enter through the central front door to go through the health screening process. IL residents may continue to access the building in their normal fashion, but should require all family members to enter through the front door so that they can go through the screening process. When IL residents ask their families to do this, they are helping to protect all of our residents.

You may see more employees wearing masks. They are not sick, but may have travelled within the US recently, or have been exposed to someone with respiratory symptoms.

Remember, the efforts we make today will be what helps to contain the virus, both at Redstone and around our country. We are taking appropriate measures to minimize the risks of spread, and maximize the health and wellbeing of our residents and our employees

Thank you for partnering with us to keep you safe during this challenging time.

Sincerely,

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