



August 2, 2021

Good afternoon to our Residents, Resident Families, Staff, Physicians, and Boards of Directors:

In the past several weeks, Dallas County's COVID-19 positivity rate has risen from approximately 2% to over 11% and climbing with the majority of cases admitting to the hospital being those who were not vaccinated. Thankfully, nearly 100% of our residents have been vaccinated and around 62% of our staff has also been vaccinated. Nevertheless, there is an ongoing reason for caution. The COVID-19 variants are proving to be powerful and contagious, even to those who have received both doses of a COVID-19 vaccination.


There are still many unknowns regarding COVID-19, its variants, and the COVID-19 vaccination efficacy. As such, there are ongoing risks associated with failing to follow public health recommendations such as social distancing and masking.

As an organization, here are some items we want to share with you:

1. CC Young continues to hold resident, staff, and guest health as a top priority. We are adapting our campus protocols based on recent suggestions issued from the CDC.
2. As an organization, we have decided to "pause" on previously planned large group activities off-campus and any large group activities on-campus where guests may be present such as memorials or special events.
3. This pause is for August only at this time. We will assess the situation each month going forward and plan activities accordingly.
4. Our unvaccinated staff is being tested twice weekly for COVID-19 based on the 11% positivity rate.
5. Our staff (daily) and guests (each visit) are screened and their temperature is taken via the four Accushield kiosks on campus.
6. All staff will be wearing masks in all levels of care, including Independent Living.
7. Masks are required for all guests at all times while on campus, including children.
8. Masks are not mandatory for Independent Living residents, but are strongly encouraged.
9. Residents may continue to leave campus, but masks are strongly encouraged while off campus.
10. Guests should not be dining in resident rooms unmasked.

It is important to note that mandates from Texas Health and Human Services Commission continue to require masking and social distancing in all licensed care settings. Our residents and staff in Assisted





Living and in The Vista Health Center have conformed to those requirements and protocols since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Whether you are vaccinated or not, now is the time to be mindful of COVID-19 symptoms. Below are the symptoms on the Accushield screening kiosk, required for all staff and campus guests:

- Fever/chills
- Fatigue
- Muscle/body aches
- Cough
- Diarrhea
- Breathing difficulty
- Congestion/runny nose (not allergy related)
- Headache
- Loss of taste/smell
- Sore throat
- Nausea/vomiting

Residents, if you are experiencing these symptoms and are concerned about potential exposure, press your pendant to speak to a nurse about COVID-19 testing.

Like everyone, we hope this current increase in COVID-19 cases is very temporary. However, we will respond and adapt protocols as needed to maintain our vigilance against this deadly virus.

As always, thank you for your continued support of CC Young.

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