

October 2020

HAPPENINGS AT HOME

RESIDENTS, STAFF & FRIENDS



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Positivity Program

"If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else." – Booker T. Washington

With staff being stressed, residents feeling lonely and families worried we need to utilize our Positivity Program.

The purpose of the Positivity Program as outlined is to:

- Encourage teamwork
- To cultivate and nurture staff engagement
- To promote a positive work environment
- To encourage communication between management, workers, and all departments
- To recognize team members for actively contributing in a positive way to the Home
- To work in partnership with the Wellness Committee and Social Club, Recreation Department and Management Team

So, with that being said, look around you. Take notice of your coworkers. Do you see somebody doing something worth recognizing, something worth acknowledging, a kind word, a small gesture? Tell them they are appreciated by writing a message in our little yellow happy face cards available by the Positivity Plan board. Everybody likes to know that they have contributed to making somebody else feel happy.

"You need to be aware of what others are doing, applaud their efforts, acknowledge their successes, and encourage them in their pursuits. When we all help one another, everybody wins."

– Jim Stovall

Visiting Information Essential Caregivers

The Ministry of Long-Term care has made changes to the Essential Caregiver directive. Each resident may assign two individuals to be considered Caregivers. Following certain criteria and restrictions, Caregivers may visit residents within the home. Please note that the caregiver designation must be decided upon by the resident and /or the POA of Care/Substitute Decision Maker.

Those who wish to be designated as a Caregiver must contact Ext 4241 to be provided with an agreement package, education and guidelines that must be followed during their visit.

Important Information for Caregivers

- Attest to a negative COVID test within 14 days of their visit
- There may be two caregivers at a time per resident per day
- There can be only one caregiver if a resident is in isolation (full PPE must be worn)
- The Caregiver will sign in as well as pass screening in/out at reception at every visit.
- The Caregiver cannot have visited another Long Term Care home in outbreak in the past 14 days of their visit
- Visiting hours are until 8:00pm daily
- Face mask will be provided when signing in and must be worn at all times
- The Caregiver is to stay in their loved ones room. Please note if a roommate is having a caregiver visit at the same time an alternate location may be provided to provide proper social distancing.
- The Caregiver is to wear a badge at all times
- The Caregiver must notify Registered Staff when they have arrived on the home area and when they are leaving
- Guidelines must be followed

SAFETY TALK



Indoor/Outdoor Scheduled Visits

Visits can be booked by POA of Care /Substitute Decision Maker (SDM) and or Resident

- Indoor Visits are scheduled in the afternoon and require a negative COVID test within the 14-day time frame of the visit. These visits are in the skylight café area. A mask is provided during screening.
- Outdoor visits are scheduled in the mornings and do not require a COVID test. These visits are held in the Davis Courtyard. Visitors must bring their own mask.

Indoor/Outdoor home area visiting schedule:

Monday - Cockshutt Place
Tuesday- Brant Terrace
Wednesday- Costain Court
Thursday – Davis Court
Friday- GrandTerrace
Sunday- Mohawk Terrace

Short Stay Absences

Short Stay Absences are for health care related, social or other reasons. This type of visit does not allow an overnight stay with the exception with an overnight stay in the emergency department. If you are taking your loved one for a short stay visit outside the Home please contact registered staff on your home area to arrange your visit please let Registered staff know the day and time frame you are taking your loved one out. If the resident is not capable, only the POA of Care can schedule an absence.

Please note: your loved one will be screened out and in upon arrival by reception, a surgical mask and best practices information sheet will be sent with you to review when your loved one is signing out.

