

# **COVID -19 UPDATE** March 13, 2020 2:00 PM

#### **ALL VISITORS RESTRICTED IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19**

As of Friday March 13th, and until further notice Brevillier Village is restricting ALL Visitors to Ball Pavilion, Barnabas Court North, Barnabas Court South, Conrad House and the Share Care Homes per recommendations by our regulatory agencies.

We will be working to provide Skype, face time and other means of communication while the restrictions are in effect.

Please feel free to call and check on loved ones with nursing staff and/or Social Workers and we will certainly contact you if there is any change in conditions.

We will permit visitation on a limited basis for those residents who are on hospice (and/or actively passing). Social Workers will contact those residents' families on hospice to make arrangements for visitation times.

Those receiving home care services, waiver services. etc. through established agencies will have permission for those staff to come in to provide care.

In Conrad House no private cleaning service persons may come in as they will be considered visitors.

## We are here to answer all questions.

This is an unprecedented event and we ask your patience and calm as we navigate through this process in order to keep EVERYONE as safe and healthy as possible.

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Dear Residents, Families and Friends of Brevillier Village,

We know you may be concerned about the spread of COVID-19 and how it may impact Brevillier Village. We would like to assure you that we are working diligently to address the various situations that the COVID-19 virus has thrust upon us as a health care organization. Ensuring that our residents are cared for in a safe and healthy environment is our greatest concern.

We have general pandemic procedures in place which we have begun to initiate and adhere to stemming from CDC guidelines as well as federal, state and local regulations concerning COVID-19. Please know we have access to the best medical advice and action plans to address the issues of COVID-19 presently and as they arise.

#### TO DATE WE HAVE INITIATED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- Notification of residents, families, and visitors to Brevillier Village about our plans going forward.
- Beginning the process of educating staff on the pandemic plan more specific to COVID-19.
- Following daily updates on the COVID-19 information from the CDC and how it may effect procedures at Brevillier Village.
- Beginning a process to monitor visitors and staff and their recent travel and/or plans of travel in the near future.
- Procedures to limit Visitors to the BV buildings if necessary and in compliance with directives from CDC and the Department of Health.
- Monitoring our medical and cleaning supplies to use them as efficiently as possible knowing there could be issues with finding certain supplies in the future.
- Preparation for fitting all necessary staff with N95 masks in preparation in caring for residents who may get the virus.

### AS RESIDENTS, FAMILIES, AND VISITORS THERE ARE WAYS YOU CAN HELP US!

- PLEASE, PLEASE WASH YOUR HANDS WHEN YOU ENTER AND EXIT THE BUILDINGS; EVEN WASH MORE FREQUENTLY DURING YOUR VISIT IF NEEDED.
- IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL AND ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS OF A COUGH, FEVER, SORE THROAT, RUNNY NOSE, AND OR SHORTNESS OF BREATH PLEASE DO NOT VISIT. IF YOU ARE A RESIDENT IN INDEPENDENT LIVING, PLEASE SELF QUARANTINE FOR THE DURATION OF YOUR SYMPTOMS WHICH ARE LASTING ABOUT 2 WEEKS. NOTIFY YOUR PCP AS SOON AS SYMPTOMS BEGIN.

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❖ PLEASE INFORM US OF ANY RECENT TRAVEL, ESPECIALLY INTERNATIONALLY IN THE COUNTRIES THAT HAVE BEEN HIGHLY INFECTED, AS WELL AS ANY AIR TRAVEL WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

<u>Please stay informed by following the CDC website for accurate information at www.cdc.gov</u> and <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/</a>

If you have not shared your email address with us, please do so as this is the quickest way for us to get information about Brevillier Village plans for COVID-19. You may send that information to me directly at <a href="mailto:vwittuck@brevillier.org">vwittuck@brevillier.org</a>.

As of now we are also suspending the use of our guest rooms for travelers coming to visit family members at BV until further notice; we are anticipating at least April, May, and June 2020.

Please be assured that we are preparing Brevillier Village to do our very best to help all of our residents, families, employees, and visitors stay as healthy as possible during this time of uncertainty. Please feel free to ask or email us any questions and we will do our very best to answer what we can. This is a very changing environment and sometimes things can change from day to day.

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