



January 4, 2022

Timber Ridge Family,

As you are aware community transmission of COVID-19 is currently very high in our area. We are continuing to see additional cases of COVID in staff and we also had one resident who tested positive for COVID on Monday, January 3rd. Thankfully so far no staff or residents are seriously ill from COVID. According to guidance from IDPH and Tazewell County Health Department we will continue to test every 3-7 days until we have 14 days with no new cases in staff or residents. All residents are remaining home from their day programs for at least the remainder of this week.

We remain open for visitors but we are asking that you help us by thinking carefully about the necessity for these visits and then following these protocols if you do come to visit:

- DO NOT VISIT if you have COVID like symptoms, a positive COVID test, or have been exposed to someone with COVID in the last 10 days
- Enter only through the new north vestibule.
 - Complete a COVID self-screening prior to entry. Forms are in the entry vestibule.
 - Wash your hands with the alcohol based hand rub that is provided in the entry vestibule.
 - Wear a well-fitted KN95 face mask (available in entry vestibule) at all times while in the facility.
- Practice social distancing while in the facility.
- Please limit your visit to your loved one and avoid spending time in the halls or common areas as much as possible.

If you are planning to take your loved one out of the facility on a home visit, we again ask that you please think carefully about the necessity for the visit and the activities that you have planned. Community transmission is very high so we ask that you exercise caution and follow all common COVID protocols (face masks, social distancing, hand washing, etc.) if you feel that must access the community for any reason.

We continue to strongly encourage ALL family members and staff to get vaccinated and/or update their COVID vaccine with a booster shot if it has been longer than six months since your last shot of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or longer than two months since your last shot of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

Thank you for your patience and prayers as we once again navigate our way through this together,

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