



# FAIRMOUNT COVID-19 PREVENTION AND PROTECTION UPDATE: YOUR SOCIAL DISTANCING CONNECTION POINT

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*Dedicated to Faith, Family & Community*

The Fairmount COVID-19 Task Force continues to meet daily to review the requirements and recommendations being forwarded to us from the CDC, CMS, Department of Health (DOH), and our Medical Director, who is receiving guidance from WellSpan. We then plan the implementation of these safety strategies.

We are pleased to say that Fairmount currently has no cases of COVID-19 on our campus among our residents or team members. However, we are preparing and planning as if we will have a positive case here in the future.

Some modifications began this week to make the entire Dogwood hallway negative pressure in our Wheat Ridge Rehab Center to serve as a secure treatment center. A negative pressure room or hallway is an isolation technique used in medical centers to prevent cross-contaminations from room to room. We will be treating all residents returning from the hospital in this isolated area for a minimum of 14 days as a precaution in case they contracted the virus in the hospital.

## **OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN THIS WEEK**

- In addition to providing health screenings and temperature checks for our team members before and after each shift, they are required to wear masks while serving on their shift. To conserve resources, we will reuse them and periodically replace. New masks will be issued on Monday, April 6 for full-time team members.
- Homemade masks donated to Fairmount were disbursed to many of our Residential Living residents. There are more homemade masks being made.
- Residential Living residents wishing to dine at the Farm Crest Dining Room will have their meals delivered.
- Residential Living residents wishing to dine at Cats Back Café must be screened and have their temperature checked prior to going into the café.
- Cottage residents are not to enter the Farm Crest, Crest View or Wheat Ridge buildings unless they are dining in the café or are purchasing essential supplies in the Farm Crest Gift Shop. Cottage residents will be screened upon entry.
- We continue to monitor our supplies and personal protective equipment (PPE) we have on hand. Currently we have an adequate amount.
- Shady Maple Grocery Store delivery service is up and running. Place your order by calling Carol Swailes and then volunteers from Petra Church will deliver them to our campus.
- If childcare is an issue for our team members, contact Human Resources for help.
- Make sure you wash your hands regularly and clean your phones and cell phones.

## **ALL COUNTIES IN PA HAVE BEEN ADDED TO STAY AT HOME ORDER FROM GOVERNOR WOLF.**

The intent of the Stay at Home order is to ensure the maximum number of people self-isolate in their places of residence to the maximum extent feasible, while enabling life-sustaining services to continue.

Residents should limit trips off campus for necessities only. We ask that our team members be wise and practice safe distancing and exposure in their interactions when they are not at Fairmount.

All residents and team members should practice frequent hand washing of at least 20 seconds each time, avoid contact with others, keep safe distances, limit the amount of time in group settings and most importantly relax.

— *the COVID-19 Task Force*