



FAIRMOUNT COVID-19 PREVENTION AND PROTECTION UPDATE

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TESTING UPDATE

Despite having no COVID positive test results among Health Care residents in four weeks of testing, recent guidance from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services requires that we continue to test based on our county COVID positivity rate. With Lancaster County's COVID positivity rate of 5.1% at the beginning of this week, we were required to test. Those being tested included Health Care and Personal Care team members who provide direct care and those Health Care and Personal Care residents who had recent contact with individuals from outside of Fairmount. Testing was conducted on September 23 and the results are pending.

We are pleased to report that we had no positive COVID-19 test results from our testing administered on September 16. The results are as follows:

- 98 tested negative
- 0 tested positive

We were notified this week that a cottage resident tested positive for COVID-19. That resident displayed minor symptoms and has fully recovered. This is Fairmount's first known COVID-19 positive Residential Living resident.

GRADUAL HEALTH CARE REOPENING PLAN

We continue to plan a phased gradual reopening of Health Care to be implemented in the coming weeks. Early steps will include reintroducing communal dining and small group activities. The reopening implementation plan will be posted on the Fairmount website next week.

RESIDENTIAL LIVING BUS TRIPS RESUMING

Beginning October 5, weekly grocery shopping trips for Residential Living residents will commence again. Because of restrictions on the number of passengers that can safely distance in the bus, reservations are required.

DOGWOOD HALLWAY ADMISSIONS

We had two admissions from area hospitals and two residents discharge from our Dogwood Isolation Hallway this week. We have cared for a total of 57 individuals in Dogwood since early April.

STAY HOME IF YOU ARE UNDER THE WEATHER

COVID-19 symptoms vary from minor to severe. Should you start experiencing head or muscle aches, loss of taste or smell, diarrhea, shortness of breath or a cough, please do not interact with your friends and neighbors. It is best to stay home until the symptoms pass. It is also advisable that you obtain flu shot. We want you and your families to be safe this fall!