



FAIRMOUNT COVID-19 PREVENTION AND PROTECTION UPDATE

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COVID-19 TESTING

Fairmount team members, volunteers and residents in Health Care and Personal Care tested for COVID-19 this week. The results were as follows:

- 242 negative results
- 2 positive results

The two positive results came from direct care givers who will quarantine at home before returning to work. One Residential Living resident tested positive this week and is quarantining in their residence.

HEALTH CARE, PERSONAL CARE & FAIRMOUNT STAFF COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

We welcomed CVS on Friday to administer second doses of the COVID-19 vaccinations to team members, volunteers and Farm Crest Personal Care residents. CVS will be returning on February 13 to provide first or second doses for team members and residents in Health Care and Wheat Ridge Personal Care.

RESIDENTIAL LIVING COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

Still no date has been determined for COVID-19 vaccinations for Residential Living residents. Stauffer's Pharmacy will schedule a clinic for administering the vaccine when they receive the vaccine from the state.

IMPORTANT COVID-19 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOLLOWING VACCINATION

It takes several weeks after your second dose before your protection is fully realized at 95%. So, there is still a chance of contracting COVID. It is important to continue following the COVID-19 safety precautions of wearing masks, practicing physical distancing, and routine washing of hands, even if you have been vaccinated. Also, those vaccinated may still be able to carry and spread the virus to others.

According to Anthony Fauci, MD, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and other health experts, PPE and safety precautions, such as physical distancing and frequent hand hygiene, are necessary until 75-80% of the population is resistant to the virus through vaccines or antibodies from contracting the disease.

Your patience during the pandemic should be commended. The vaccine provides hope that we can get through this soon. However, it will require all of us to do our part by getting vaccinated and continuing to practice safety precautions.

COMPASSIONATE CARE VISITS

According to the PA Department of Health, compassionate care refers to visitation identified to maintain or improve a Health Care resident's health and well-being based on a documented "significant change" in the resident's care plan. The visits may occur in the resident's room, a neutral area such as a sunroom, or outdoors. A compassionate caregiver refers to a family member, friend, volunteer or other individual identified by a resident, the resident's family or Fairmount team members to provide the resident with compassionate care. Our team will notify the caregiver when visits can occur. A Compassionate Care Visitation information sheet is available on our COVID-19 Update page at FairmountHomes.org.

DOGWOOD HALLWAY UPDATE

There were two admissions into the Dogwood dedicated COVID treatment center this week and one discharge. To date, we have cared for 121 individuals in Dogwood since early April 2020.