



Memo to Duncaster Residents

Date: December 28, 2021
To: Duncaster Residents
From: Kelly Papa, President and CEO
Ami Desai, Chief Operating Officer
Subject: COVID-19 Update

Today we became aware that a vaccinated staff member, in the main building dining room, tested positive for COVID-19. We have conducted contact tracing, testing of staff members impacted by this and taking necessary steps to mitigate further spread.

We have also been made aware of 7 residents who have been exposed to individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 this past weekend. They are following the needed testing and quarantining guidelines.

Based on the current State of Connecticut data, the positivity rate is at nearly 14.98%; this is an increase of almost 6% since December 22nd. Hospitalizations have increased to over 963 people, including 299 in Hartford County.

It is time for us to be vigilant, apply all that we have learned and use all the tools we have in our toolbox to protect each other. As you read in Dr. Rothfield's letter, the Omicron variant is highly transmissible.

Masks. We recommend masking. Please ensure that the mask fully covers your mouth and nose. A surgical or KN95 mask is the best and can be purchased in the Commons Market.

Avoiding places where you are unable to distance yourself from others. When possible, maintaining at least a 6-foot distance is ideal. If you are gathering in a group, wear your mask and ask that those you gather with if they are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, fever, cold symptoms, etc.) or have been exposed to someone who tested positive.

Hand Hygiene. Wash your hands frequently and use hand sanitizer in public spaces. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.

Stay home if you are sick or have learned that you have been exposed to someone testing positive for COVID-19. Please call Assisted Living (ext. 5152) to request a COVID-19 test; a nurse will come to your apartment.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.