



Memo to Duncaster Residents

Date: **December 29, 2021**
To: Duncaster Residents
From: Kelly Papa, President and CEO
Ami Desai, Chief Operating Officer
Subject: **COVID-19 and Dining Room Updates**

The headlines in the news are discouraging and urging us to be vigilant for the next 2-3 weeks. Today we became aware of additional Covid-19 case situations in the Duncaster community.

COVID-19

A second vaccinated staff member, in the Main Building Dining Room, tested positive for COVID-19. We have conducted contact tracing, testing of those impacted by this and we are taking necessary steps to mitigate further spread. We have also been made aware of a total of 9 residents who have been exposed to individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 this past week. They are following needed testing and quarantining guidelines.

Dining Room

With the surge of the Omicron COVID variant, we need to be prudent and cautious with our next steps for our community. The Dining Room is a place where many people mingle; residents, staff and guests which presents a high risk. As of Wednesday, December 29, 2021 the Dining Room will be **closed** for sit-down dinner until January 17, 2022.

You may pick up your meals at the Servery Monday through Saturday:

- Lunch 12-1pm
- Dinner 4-6pm
- Sunday 10:30-1pm

*For Residents who request delivery, please place your order by 11am for lunch and 3pm for dinner by calling the dining room, ext. 2806. Residents who are on Quarantine will be exempt from the delivery charge.

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New Year's Eve Dinner

The dinner party has been postponed. We will have a very special dinner planned and surprises for you when you come to pick up your meals. If you choose to dine with other Residents in your apartment, please limit the number of people, use masks and distance.

Programs and Visitation

Duncaster programs, fitness classes, gym, pool (when refilled), library, hair salon, mailroom, Commons Market, Turn Over Shop and other common spaces are open. Masks as well as socially distancing will be required. Stay home if you are sick.

We are open to your visitors. They must screen in at the Aquatic Entrance prior to going to your apartment. All visitors must be vaccinated or show a negative PCR test within 5 days of visit. Masks must be worn at all times. This includes private duty aids.

If you have been ***exposed to someone who later tested positive for COVID-19*** call the Assisted Living (ext. 5152) to request a COVID-19 test; a nurse will come to your apartment.

Data from other countries has shown that the Omicron COVID variant spreads fast and vast, peaking high, but then will slow quickly. We believe that by taking these precautions over the next 2 1/2 weeks we will stay safe during this phase.

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