

# WEEKLY FAMILY UPDATE

Grand Traverse Pavilions update for residents and responsible parties during COVID-19

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In response to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services requirements for all nursing homes to test their staff and residents for COVID-19 the most recent weekly testing was completed on Monday, 11/09/20 with nearly 600 staff and Pavilions residents tested.

As required we must notify residents, families and staff if there are any positive COVID tests. As national and state trends for COVID-19 are on the rise, we are obligated to inform our staff, residents and their families that we have confirmed one positive test result from this most recent weeks testing:

*This is the Grand Traverse Pavilions. We were notified this morning of a staff member who tested positive for COVID and is without symptoms. This staff member works on the Rehab unit but occasionally covers other units as needed. This staff member's last day worked was 11/5 on the Cherry unit. The potential exposure is limited as this individual has not worked since 11/5 and was tested on 11/9. We do not have any residents with signs or symptoms of COVID.*

Due to the regional COVID Level upgraded to Level E, unfortunately we are at a level that prohibits indoor visitations for Michigan based nursing facilities. For more information on the current COVID Level visit: [https://mistartmap.info/county\\_risk\\_levels](https://mistartmap.info/county_risk_levels)

This mandate will be in force until there is a regional decrease in the number of confirmed positive cases reported, regardless of our facility's COVID status in the coming weeks. However, we remain committed to preparing for the potential of family visitations as soon as we are able and have prepared a formal visitation policy for your review. A draft of the full Indoor Visitation Policy is posted on the Weekly Family Update site for review, and will be made active vs. draft as soon as we are able to implement the policy.

As a reminder, the current protocol for all new admissions, readmissions is to confirm a negative COVID test 72 hours prior to admission, and to quarantine for two weeks (14 days) once admitted. Additionally, those residents who leave the facility for external appointments, will also need to quarantine for two weeks (14 days) and be tested regularly for COVID-19.

As always, if you have any questions or would like to schedule a virtual or window visit with a resident please contact the pavilion Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) or social worker. For the cottages please contact the director or the cottage nurse.



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