

# WEEKLY FAMILY UPDATE

Grand Traverse Pavilions update for Residents and Responsible parties during COVID-19

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Grand Traverse Pavilions has seen no new cases of COVID in the staff and no new cases in the resident population in both the nursing home and Cottages in the last week.

Staff are now authorized to wear the blue procedure masks when caring for Residents. NIOSH-approved N95 masks or higher are required during the care of a resident with COVID-19 or the care of a resident on Droplet Precautions. Screening and testing remain the same for both staff and visitors

We ask that you help reduce the risk of spreading the virus by continuing to wear a well-fitting mask, by encouraging the visiting resident to wear a well-fitting mask, by maintaining social distancing and by using good hand hygiene during all visitations. Please notify Pavilions Nursing staff if you develop symptoms or become positive for COVID within 14 days of your visit.

For clarification, a “well-fitting” mask does not include bandanas or neck gaiters. Please note that we are not providing any masks to the public including family members or visitors. It is expected that each individual secure their own mask in order to enter and visit in the facility and at the cottages.

ActivePure Enterprises is on schedule to finish installing their in-duct air purification/pathogen reduction system in the skilled nursing facility this week. This technology pulls ambient air in and converts the oxygen and humidity in the air into hydroxyl radicals, which will break down the outer shell of viruses, bacteria, and fungi, inactivating them. In addition to inactivating these pathogens in the air, the hydroxyl radicals also settle onto the surfaces in the room, inactivating the pathogens on exposed surfaces. This project involves the installation of devices at the outlet of each air handler that will utilize the technology described to reduce pathogens in the air prior to the air being reintroduced into the living areas.

For more information on ActivePure and their in-duct air purification/pathogen reduction system visit their website below:

<https://www.activepure.com/>

As always, please feel free to contact your unit Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) or Social Worker (SW) if you have any questions or concerns. Please contact Shelby, the director, or Natalia, the nurse for the Cottages.



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