

WEEKLY FAMILY UPDATE

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

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The Grand Traverse Pavilions is required to report that we have had six cases of COVID in our staff this past week from various departments. Additionally, we have had nine of residents on the Birch unit test positive for COVID. These residents have been relocated to the COVID unit. We are currently in outbreak mode. All other residents have been tested and are negative. Residents and staff regardless of vaccination will be tested twice weekly until we have reached 14 days of no new cases. Additionally, we have had one staff member who last worked at Evergreen on 4/28/22. We ask that you please refrain from visiting on the Birch unit. If you do visit, please wear a tight fitting mask, use good hygiene and notify us if you develop symptoms or become COVID positive within 14 days of visiting.

As a reminder, the CDC has revised their language from vaccinated to “up to date” and “not up to date”. The *up to date* category includes all individuals who have received all available vaccines. At this time, this includes the initial dosing and a booster. The CDC updated COVID-19 quarantine requirements for patients/ residents that are “not up to date” with their COVID-19 vaccines (eligible for a booster, but decline or not yet received), and if they are away from the facility for a leave-of-absence (LOA), or at the hospital for 24 hours or more; they are required to be in isolation for 10 days and tested 2 times weekly, and as needed (prn) during that time.

Staff and residents have begun receiving a second booster vaccine. We will continue to administer the vaccine as we receive it and consents are obtained. If you wish to have your loved one receive a second booster please let the cottage nurse, or your ADON know so the name can be added to the list.

We are aware that local COVID infections rates have been increasing. Healthcare entities, such as the Pavilions, have been informed that we are required to follow the CDC map, and at this time it is **HIGH**. Staff have returned to wearing non-fitted N95's along with protective eyewear. All residents are encouraged to wear a mask when out of their rooms and during all visitations and group gatherings. The current visitation policy is located under the family weekly update tab.

We ask visitors be sensitive to the health and wellness of our vulnerable population and our valuable direct care staff, by:

Bringing and wearing a well-fitting mask that covers the mouth and nose. 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.

Avoiding visitations during meal times as they disrupt meals and may impact the wellbeing of your loved one/friend.

Meal times: SNF: 8:30-9:30AM, 12:30-1:30PM and 5:00-6:00PM

Cottages: 7:00-9:00AM, 12:00-1:30PM and 5:00-6:30PM

Please, being of good health (having no temperature or symptoms of any kind) is essential. If you have not already done so, please consider getting vaccinated before visiting the Cottages and the Pavilions!

We are still offering electronic visits utilizing many different platforms in all areas of our campus.

If you have any questions please contact the pavilion Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) or the assigned social worker. For the cottages please contact the director, Shelby Mack or the cottage nurse, Natalia Johnson.

Stay well!

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