WEEKLY FAMILY UPDATE

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

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The Grand Traverse Pavilions is currently in "Outbreak" status, since we have had six cases of COVID identified this week in our resident population on the Dogwood Pavilion, as well as, one nurse who recently worked on the Dogwood and Rehab Units. Please refrain from visiting the Dogwood unit and if you do visit we ask that you please conduct the strictest masking and infection control practices when visiting. It is imperative that all family and visitors come with a mask to their visit and keep their mask on when visiting, and we ask that you please encourage your loved one you are visiting to wear their mask as well. Masks are provided to all residents and staff within the facility. It is also essential that you notify the nursing staff if you develop symptoms or become COVID positive within 14 days of visiting.

As a reminder, the CDC has revised its 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 consists of the initial dosing and two boosters. 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 declined 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.

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.

According to the CDC map, Grand Traverse County is still HIGH. Staff continue to wear 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 must stress again that it is imperative that all visitors wear a tight-fitting mask that fits over the nose and mouth. Masks must be kept in place the entire time you are in the facility.

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.

For the main building you may call ahead to the unit and meet your loved one at the back door of your specific unit if you plan to take them on an outing or to visit outside. This will streamline the visitation process, bypassing the need for staff to go to the lobby and screen visitors in. If you are not coming into the facility to visit there is no need for screening. Also it will save time and frustration on your part as staff struggle to get residents ready and down to the lobby.

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.

Please stay well!



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