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 (MDHHS) all nursing homes in the state are mandated to test non-vaccinated staff and residents for COVID-19. We are also required to notify residents, families and staff of any positive COVID results.

We are pleased to share there again have been NO positive test results from our staff or residents.

You may be aware that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the CDC have updated recommendations and guidelines regarding masking, vaccination status, visitation and routine testing for COVID. However, as a health care facility in Michigan we are bound to follow the most stringent rules, and at this time MDHHS who oversees healthcare facilities in Michigan has informed us that they have not adopted the CDC or CMS guidelines and are still operating on the epidemic order for residential care facilities issued on May 21, 2021.

The Pavilions has reinstituted communal dining and group activities for our residents per the guidelines set forth in the current orders. Additionally, the most recent Grand Traverse Pavilions visitation policy (published along with these Family Weekly Updates) allows for outdoor visits with very little restrictions for those residents who are fully vaccinated. We hope you can take advantage of the outdoor areas on the beautiful Pavilions campus and opt to bring your loved one outside.

We encourage resident families to consider signing out their family member for the weekly (July—August) Concerts on the Lawn which start *Thursday evening, July 1, 2021 at 7pm*, as part of the Pavilions music therapy program for our residents, which are extended to the community. This is a very exciting prospect for many residents. We only ask that you read the requirements for setting up these outings and be respectful of the times for pick up and returns. You will need to bring your own portable seating. For a full concert schedule and event details please visit our website at https://www.gtpavilions.org/news-events/2021-concerts-on-the-lawn/

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

Thank you!

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