

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 notification of the Governor's orders for all nursing homes to test their staff and residents for COVID-19, baseline testing was completed on Tuesday, June 30, 2020.

As required, nursing staff have personally notified residents, families and staff that have received a positive COVID test result. Notification to all staff and residents or responsible parties have been made via the automated robo calling process, currently in place.

The Pavilions has been, and remains compliant on all required reporting to the State on positive testing results.

Regarding test results, continual communication has been taking place with the lab processing the Pavilions results. We understand the initial backlog is clearing and it is anticipated that by next week our turnaround time should be reduced to 48 hours from the labs receipt of samples. The test results received to date from 7/13 have resulted in no new positive cases.

The requirements for testing residents after a positive result is received is a minimum of two (2) consecutive weeks post the last confirmed positive test.

Resident testing will take place this week, pending results from the testing conducted on 7/20.

Per the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines all staff involved in patient care and services are required to wear eye protection (face shields or goggles) as of Monday, July 27, 2020.

As a reminder, weekly testing is required per the Governor's Executive Order for all residents and staff of skilled nursing facilities due to the recent upgrade from a low to moderate risk region. The sixth round of weekly testing is scheduled to take place early next week.

- Visitor restrictions remain in place with special consideration for those residents under hospice or end of life care.
- The Window Visit Policy is listed with the Weekly Family Updates on the website.

Please know I have been in continual contact with the lab regarding the Pavilions and Cottages test results. We are told that the initial backlog is clearing and that by next week our turnaround time should be 48 hours from receipt of samples. I have received all but 1 result from our base line testing and 2/3 from the testing conducted on 7/13. The rest and those from 7/20 are being processed in the system. So far there are no new positive cases.

If you have any questions please contact your pavilion Assistant Director of Nursing or Social Worker. For the Cottages you may contact the Residential Services Director.



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