

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 June 29th & 30th with the balance of the results still pending as of today, July 23, 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.

It has been well documented that the current surge in required COVID testing has overwhelmed labs across the nation, and specifically in Michigan, where all long term skilled nursing facilities were mandated to test their residents and staff by July 3, 2020. Additional weekly testing is required for the staff of Michigan nursing facilities, continuing to contribute to the backlog. Based on conversations with the southern Michigan lab site being utilized to process the Pavilions tests, weekly testing should come back more timely, estimated within five (5) days.

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 fourth 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.
- As a reminder the Window Visit Policy is listed with the Weekly Family Updates on the website.

As reported previously, the Pavilions has had several staff and residents test positive for COVID-19, but displayed no symptoms. This is called asymptomatic positive. The quarantine period for a positive without symptoms is ten (10) days past the date of the positive test. Health care workers are able to work if they are symptom free.

If you have any questions please contact your pavilion ADON or SW. For the Cottages you may contact the Residential Services Director.



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