

WEEKLY FAMILY UPDATE

Grand Traverse Pavilions update for residents and responsible parties during COVID-19

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As previously reported, on August 7, 2020, the Pavilions switched to a new testing laboratory, Solaris. The criteria for making this change was the guarantee to receive test results 48 hours after the lab receives the samples.

COVID Testing Results From New Lab:

- ***We have received all the results from the 08/07 and 08/14 testing for residents, all those results have been negative.***
- ***We have received all the results from the 08/10 staff testing, all those results were negative.***
- ***We have also received all results from the 08/17 staff testing, all results received are also negative.***

With two weeks of no positive COVID-19 cases confirmed in our resident population, we are no longer required to test the residents. However, weekly employee testing will continue.

On 8/12/2020 the State of Michigan conducted another routine COVID survey with no identified issues.

We would like to share that new Thermal Imaging scanning equipment has now been fully implemented for the daily assessment of all staff/personnel entering the facility. Additional thermal units have been made possible through grants from the Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation—Urgent Needs Fund, and also from funding provided by the Area Agency on Aging Northwest Michigan.

This equipment provides timely reporting on employee temperature, and warns nursing staff of any high temp variances, as well as, photographs and documents the employees response to the pertinent COVID-19 screening criteria. It will be implemented for visitor/vendor screenings in the future.

We sincerely hope these updates and the timely sharing of this information helps ease concerns, and assures that we are making every effort to be transparent, responsive, and accountable regarding the care of our residents and staff.

As always, if you have any questions please contact your pavilion ADON or social worker. For the cottages please contact the director or the cottage nurse.



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