October 2021

Neighborhood News





WALL OF HONOR

Interested in having your Veteran displayed on our Wall of Honor? Our Life Enrichment Team continues to gather information specific to your loved ones' time of military service. We will create a frame that will be displayed proudly along Main Street and at the cottages.

For more information on this opportunity please contact your Life Enrichment Coordinator.

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Family Updates

Testing Results

We have had 6 staff members test positive in the last 3 weeks. These were both vaccinated and unvaccinated. CMS has revised the positivity methodology and process for community transmission rates. We are now required to follow the CDC COVID Data Tracker. Facilities are directed to use the first Monday and the third Monday as a guide. October 4, 2021 is the first Monday and the rate is 10.34%.

Visitation

We continue with electronic visits between the residents and families. There is a large volume of outdoor and community visits occurring for our residents and their families. The indoor visitation policy was revised to allow for some limited in-room visitation for fully vaccinated residents and visitors. We have updated our contingency plan for visitations based on the community transmission rates. You may find this revised plan on our website under the family weekly updates. The most significant change is to indoor visitations. There will be no in room visitations for those who have a shared room. We have made alternate spaces on our Aspen unit to accommodate these visits. All visitors will continue to be required to be fully vaccinated for in room visitations. We request and it is the CDC recommendations that all visitations are conducted wearing a well-fitting mask and social distancing regardless if you are vaccinated or not.

Vaccinations

CMS shows our facility as having 98.7% of residents and 78.3% of staff vaccinated as of September 19, 2021. The percentages fluctuate depending on employment status and new admissions and discharges. Out contract pharmacy provider, Hometown Pharmacy, has Johnson & Johnson COVID vaccine available to be administered to our new residents and for new or current staff that choose to be vaccinated. Vaccination does not preclude staff or residents from adhering to current infection control practices or relieve staff from wearing required PPE. We are still waiting on the mandate from CMS regarding staff vaccination. Hometown Pharmacy will be conducting the annual influenza vaccination clinic for our residents on October 26, 2021. If you have not already done so please return your consent forms as soon as possible.



OCTOBER 9TH



LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND
EQUITY IN ACCESS TO PALLIATIVE CARE

World Hospice & Palliative Care Day

OCTOBER 30TH





FLU SEASON IS BACK

October 1 is the official start date of the influenza ("flu") season. Most cases of influenza occur in January & February but can occur even as late as May. Symptoms of influenza include: fever, cough, sore throat, headache, chills, muscle aches, and fatigue. Influenza is highly contagious, and coupled with potential COVID-19 during this pandemic, it is imperative that everyone takes precautionary measures both at work and at home. These measures include: getting the vaccine, covering your mouth when you cough/sneeze, and frequent hand washing. By taking extra precautions during the "flu" season, you can help with the prevention of the transmission of the influenza virus.



Please report any change of address, phone numbers, emails for responsible party or any emergency contact person, primary physician or insurance coverage to your Social Worker or Life Enrichment Coordinator.

Remember, Messages and personal pictures can be sent to: lovenotes@gtpavilions.org

Please refrain from sending 'junk mail' or advertisements as they will be blocked.



Get all Fall & Winter Clothes Labeled!

You may let the assigned CNA on the Pavilion know and the clothes will be placed in a clean bag tagged with the resident's name. It will then get labeled and returned within 24 hours.

Social Workers

Aspen/Birch - Nicole Saheb932-3207 Cherry -932-3307 Dogwood - Cindi Pobuda932-3407 . Elm - Holly Kazim932-3507 Rehab - Kim Kucharski932-3727 Main Building - 1000 Pavilions Circle Traverse City, MI 49684 (231) 932-3000

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