

March 25, 2022

Families, friends, residents and staff;

It is a great pleasure to provide a monthly update opposed to COVID outbreak updates. Previously mentioned, the most recent outbreak ended on Ash Wednesday, perfect timing for the Lenten Season. In addition to the routine activities, all interested residents are able to enjoy the holiday season and the many religious events in the chapel. The CDC publishes two sets of data for COVID community transmission; general public and vulnerable populations including healthcare workers. The rate of community transmission determines the requirements we follow, including PPE and frequency of testing. Coos County has been fluctuating between moderate and low transmission categories.

We will conduct a round of testing on Monday, if all tests are negative **and** we continue to remain in the low to moderate categories goggles/face shields will no longer be required! We are in process of adjusting the visual guide for COVID community transmission to make it easier for all visitors to understand the PPE requirement.

Blue/Yellow= surgical mask required

Orange/Red= surgical mask **AND** face shield/ goggles required

Visitors may bring in goggles that cover the front, top, sides and bottom of the eye, please disinfect them after you leave and before returning for your next visit.

Nursing Homes are still held to a high standard of COVID requirements, positive cases quickly disrupt the lives and psychosocial wellbeing of each resident, please help us keep COVID out of the resident's home:

Please do not visit if you have ANY cold or flu symptoms or experiencing any other illness.

- A mask must be worn that covers the nose and mouth while walking to the visitation location
- A face shield must also be worn by visitors while walking to a resident's room
- Visitors may not associate with other residents during the visit
- Maintain social distancing from other individuals
- Do not visit if you had an encounter with a potentially positive or COVID positive individual within the last 14 days or if any new onset of illness exists.
- From the date of positive COVID diagnosis, you must allow 10 days to pass before you may visit. Entry is allowed on day 11.
- Visitors should wait 10 days to visit if they have had a close encounter with someone who is COVID positive.
- Individuals continuing to present symptoms past day 10 may not enter the building.

Please anticipate the next update will be on Friday, April 29 unless otherwise necessary. Please do not hesitate to contact us with questions or concerns of any kind.

Kindly,

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