



## **MEMO**

**TO:** Families and residents

**From:** Tina O'Malley RN, ICC

**Date:** December 9, 2022

### **COVID- 19 Outbreak at Valley Manor LTC**

Public Health has declared a COVID-19 outbreak as of today, December 9, 2022.

COVID-19 measures will be initiated:

- ✓ At this time, only one (1) Essential Caregiver at a time will be able to visit. When the spread settles and if other zones have not been affected, we will reassess with Public Health. No General visitors will be permitted for the duration of the outbreak.
- ✓ Eye protection as well as masking will be required at all times during the outbreak and will be provided by the screener.
- ✓ Essential Caregivers will be required to have a rapid antigen test each day they visit during the outbreak.
- ✓ Visits to palliative/ill residents by general visitors or unvaccinated visitors will be on a case-by-case basis based on the assessment by the Nurse in Charge. One visitor at a time will remain in effect during the outbreak. Unvaccinated visitors/or if the resident is isolating will require the wearing of full PPE.
- ✓ Activities will be limited to small groups for unaffected areas or in-room one-on-one visits. Virtual visits by electronic means may be scheduled through the Activities department by calling extension 225.
- ✓ Zone 2 is currently affected and will start tray service for meals as of supper today. Each resident zone has a designated lounge for residents not on isolation.
- ✓ New admissions are suspended until further notice.

Thank-you for your support and understanding during this very challenging time. If you have any further questions, please contact us.

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