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TO: Families and residents

From: Lynn Strack, RN – Charge Nurse

Date: October 3, 2024

COVID- 19 Outbreak at Valley Manor LTC

Public Health has declared a COVID-19 outbreak as of today, October 3, 2024, due to two (2) positive resident COVID-19 cases. The outbreak is currently limited to Zone 3 (rooms 17-32).

Additional COVID-19 measures will be initiated:

- ✓ Please be diligent in following good hand hygiene practices.
- ✓ **Zone 3 only** will be closed to visitors. This may change if further cases develop. Signage has been posted at the entrance to the Fireplace lounge and the doors to the zone will be kept closed during the outbreak.
- ✓ At this time, **only Essential Caregivers will be able to visit on zone 3**. Those visiting ill residents are to wear an N95 mask (staff will assist in providing a 3M 1870+ mask if not present in the isolation caddy), gown, eye protection (our eye protection is attached to a mask which is worn over the N95) and gloves.
- ✓ No General visitors will be permitted on zone 3 for the duration of the outbreak unless for essential reasons. Please contact the Nurse in Charge to discuss.
- ✓ Eye protection as well as masking will be required for those visiting zone 3 residents. Visitors are directed not to remove masks even when alone in a private room with a resident during the outbreak.
- ✓ Activities will be limited to small groups. Virtual visits by electronic means may be scheduled through the Activities department by calling extension 225.
- ✓ Tray service on zone 3 for meals will start on October 4, 2024, at breakfast.

If you have any further questions, please contact us.

Lynn Strack, RN or Gail Yantha, Sr. DOC