ST. PAUL'S
SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

ATTENTION: VILLAS RESIDENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS

IMPORTANT – 9/15/2022 COVID-19 UPDATE – ***please read this in its entirety.***

In accordance with shared recommendations for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) and others, we are required to notify you each time there is a change or development in our Covid-19 status, including new cases among residents and/or team members.

We were recently notified of 1 team member who tested positive for COVID-19. This team member did not have any resident contacts. The **GARDENS A** and **GARDENS B** neighborhoods continue under **YELLOW ZONE** status.

- **GARDENS A & B – YELLOW ZONE guidelines**:
  - Any resident who presents with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 will be tested; otherwise, routine outbreak testing will continue as per regulatory guidance.
  - Residents are encouraged to quarantine to their room and activities off the neighborhood have been suspended pending results of ongoing testing.
  - Residents should wear masks at all times when around others. As such, meals will be delivered via tray service for the 10-day post-exposure period.
  - Visitation is permitted; however, visitors and their resident should both remain masked during the visit with a heightened awareness of the potential risks of exposure. Physical distancing and hand hygiene protocols are also highly recommended during any visitation.

The FDA has authorized bivalent boosters for both Moderna and Pfizer. These boosters cover the original and omicron (BA.4/BA.5) virus components. Absolute Pharmacy has pre-ordered these updated booster products and will begin to utilize them during our regularly scheduled COVID-19 vaccine maintenance clinics. A separate bulletin was sent yesterday with pertinent details regarding updated booster eligibility and vaccine availability for all COVID-19 vaccine products. With the approval of the bivalent boosters, consent forms have been updated and are available at the screening table in the Villas lobby.

We also continue to remind visitors that if you currently have any respiratory symptoms including cold or allergy symptoms, please postpone visitation and get tested. We continue to perform other routine testing of team members as per regulatory guidance. St. Paul's is using contingency staffing strategies which allows non UTD team members who have had close contact with someone who is COVID+ as defined by the CDC to continue to work with enhanced testing protocols. Any team members who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are taken off the schedule and tested. Any resident(s) who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are tested. If you have any questions regarding this communication or St Paul's plan of action please contact Tammy Lininger, Administrator or Leann McCurdy, Director of Nursing at the Villas.