



2/19/21

We are slowly creeping towards the one-year mark. The anniversary that changed our facility in ways we never imagined. We cannot thank you enough for your continued support, understanding, and trust. We know being a part from your loved ones, has been perhaps, the most difficult part of dealing with this pandemic. We understand that and we are thrilled to let you know that as of 2/19/21 we are able to accommodate inside visitation once again. The Lorain county positivity rate has dropped below 10 percent as calculated by CMS, and we are officially out of outbreak testing. You may call and speak with our Activities or Social Services department to schedule a visit. Most of the inside visitation rules remain the same but I will summarize them here for you since there are a few updates:

1. Visits must be pre-scheduled
2. Only 2 visitors may visit at a one time
3. Visitors must pass our screening process
4. Visitors will be COVID-19 tested – This is a 15-minute process so we will request that you arrive 15 minutes prior to your visit in order to process the test. There is a required form you will need to fill out since CMS mandates we track and report all COVID-19 testing and results
5. Visits are 30 minutes in length
6. Visitors will be required to wear a facemask during the entire visit. We will provide you with a medical facemask.
7. Food and Drinks will not be allowed during the visit due to facemask requirements
8. There is no designated age restriction for visitors, however, visitors must be of the age and maturity to wear a mask and maintain social distancing

While we do not love all of the rules or the regulations, we LOVE that we will bring families together again. Many of our staff and residents have received the vaccination and for that, we are thankful. In the coming weeks, we will learn more about the plan to allow us to offer the vaccination for resident and staff on an ongoing basis.

February has brought with it some additional welcome changes. We initiated small group activities and our beauty shop has re-opened with a new beautician, Wendy McKinney. Our psychology and psychiatry services are now being provided in the facility instead of through telemedicine. Ancillary Services are back and in full swing with dental, podiatry and vision services provided in the facility. Looking forward to the upcoming weeks we hope to be able to open small group fine dining in the atrium.

The residents enjoyed their Valentine Teddy Bear Adoption Day sponsored by the Oberlin High School Class of 1986. Our greater community has been so supportive and loving to our staff and residents throughout the pandemic. We have been truly blessed by those around us. Enjoy this photo from our Adoption Day!

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Stay Well,

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