

[Questions](#)

AsburyMethodistVillage.org

This message is going to residents and family members on our community distribution list.

A message from Michele Potter, Executive Director

June 18, 2020

Dear Residents and Family Members,

Last week I ended my message with a Paths to Reopening update to watch for news this week about visitation. I am grateful to everyone for the extraordinary efforts to keep our wonderful community as safe as possible during a world-wide pandemic. I am excited to share several new opportunities for visitation in different levels of care in our community.

As we continue on our Paths to Reopening, it is important to keep in mind that if we experience new positive COVID-19 cases, we will need to reverse direction and limit visitation again. I am reminded of a quote I have previously shared, "Each and every one of us has an obligation to exercise personal responsibility for ourselves, for our families, for our coworkers and for our neighbors." As residents and family members of Asbury Methodist Village, I once again urge you to take the obligation of responsibility for one another seriously. And I ask you to join me and the leaders of our community in our commitment to continue to make the health, safety and well-being of all who live and work here our highest priority. We all have a responsibility to support and protect each other.

Effective Monday, June 22, the following visitation opportunities will be in effect.

Our team needs time to complete the final arrangements, and I thank you for not putting our team in an awkward position this weekend of having to turn visitors away. I appreciate your cooperation and commitment to abide by the guidance for the visitation and make wise choices as you engage in the external community. We continue to be in this together!

I also want to share that effective as of today, June 18, we are reopening the buildings with the use of POS cards for residents. The front entrances will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily for visitors. Outside of these hours, the use of the dial pads will be used to call the resident to be buzzed in. All deliveries will continue as they are currently: Apartment Center for Mund, Trott and Edwards-Fisher; Hefner for Diamond and Wallace.

GARDEN HOMES/COTTAGES/VILLAS/COURTYARD HOMES

- Residents are welcome to have two (2) visitors for daytime (not overnight) visits.
- We encourage visits of no longer than two (2) hours.
- Masks should be worn and physical distancing of no less than six (6) feet should be followed.
- We ask that you visit inside your residence, or on your porch/patio, rather than elsewhere on the campus or in common areas in buildings.
- Screening of visitors, according to current campus procedures, will be completed.

APARTMENTS

- Residents are welcome to have two (2) visitors for daytime (not overnight) visits.
- We encourage visits of no longer than two (2) hours.
- Masks should be worn and physical distancing of no less than six (6) feet should be followed.
- We ask that you visit inside your residence, or on your patio/balcony, rather than elsewhere on the campus or in common areas in buildings.
- Visitors should not share the elevator with others, and we ask they avoid touching hard surfaces on the way to and from the apartment. We encourage the use of hand sanitizers.
- Screening of visitors is required. Screening of visitors, according to current campus procedures, will be completed.

KINDLEY ASSISTED LIVING

The Maryland Department of Health is now allowing outdoor visits for Assisted Living residents, as long as there is not an outbreak at the community. Additional guidance to be followed includes:

- Two (2) visitors are able to visit with a resident per visit.
- Visitors and residents must wear a face mask at all times.

- Visitors and residents must maintain proper physical distancing of no less than six (6) feet at all times.
- Screening is required. Screening of visitors, according to current campus procedures, will be completed.
- Please contact Ann Giaquinto at (301) 216-4305 or via email at agiaquinto@asbury.org to arrange visitation. Appointments must be made in advance.

As I have previously shared, we are guided by the many different plans and requirements placed upon us by numerous federal, state and local agencies. Visitation restrictions have not yet been lifted by The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) nor our state Department of Health. We understand the impact and look forward to the day when we can share gradual lifting of the restrictions. When that time comes, we already know there will be many criteria and/or requirements that must be met, for example: COVID-19 cases in the community, staffing levels, routine testing of staff, screening requirements for visitors, access to personal protective equipment, and local hospital capacity.

WILSON HEALTH CARE CENTER

- **The Wilson Health Care Center (WHCC) Activities team is excited to announce that effective June 25, 2020, we will begin scheduled window visits.** We look forward to coordinating your visits!
- Please be on the lookout for a phone call from the WHCC Activity team (see names below). We will call each resident's designated point of contact to get updated email addresses and to schedule 30-minute window visit appointments:
 - 1st Floor Murvell Delpino, mdelpino@asbury.org
 - 2nd Floor Chenika Johnson, cjohnson@asbury.org
 - 3rd Floor Irish Suarez, isuaraz@asbury.org
 - 4th Karla Orellana Jones, korellana-jones@asbury.org
- Screening of visitors, according to current campus procedures, will be completed.
- Windows must remain closed and masks must be worn by visitors at all times.
- Since common area visiting windows must be cleaned between visits, we ask that you keep your visit to no more than 30 minutes to allow for 15 minutes of cleaning.
- We continue to offer video visits, please contact your floor coordinator (floor contacts are listed above) to set up visits if you haven't done so already.

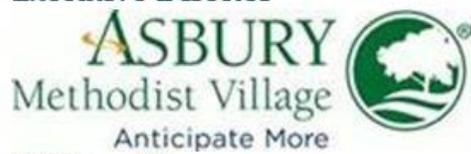
I appreciate your continued understanding and cooperation. The leadership team and I value the opportunity to fulfill our mission to do all the good we can for those we serve.

You and your loved ones are part of our family. As I have said before, and will continue to say, we are in this together. And we will get through this together. We are #AsburyStrong.

Sincerely,

Michele Potter

Executive Director



201 Russell Ave.

Gaithersburg, MD 20877

O: 301-216-4038

www.Asbury.org

www.facebook.com/asburymethodistvillage

www.twitter.com/asburycomm

