



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

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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 Solomons, 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!

COTTAGES

- 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.

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- 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 please avoid touching hard surfaces on the way to and from the apartment. We encourage the use of hand sanitizers.
- Screening in of visitors is required. Screening out of visitors is not required.

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.
- We encourage visits of no longer than thirty (30) minutes.
- 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. There can be no physical contact.
- All outdoor visitations must be scheduled in advance.
- Screening is required. Please screen in at the Community Center. Screening out is not required.
- To schedule outdoor visitation for Assisted Living residents, please contact Vicky Balderson, AL Manager, at (410) 394-3484.

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.

HEALTH CARE CENTER

- You are welcome to schedule a window visit.
- The Health Care Center is located on the 2nd floor. Due to the distance from the ground outside and the 2nd floor windows, during your window visit it is best to communicate via phone or tablet/iPad.
- Window visits can be worked out between the resident and family member. We are also happy to help in coordinating a window visit. For assistance in scheduling a window visit, please contact Mary Williams, LCSW, at (410) 394-3076.
- Virtual visits continue. To schedule a virtual visit, please contact Dennis Poremski at (410) 394-3043.

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,

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