

NURSING HOME AND ASSISTED LIVING APARTMENTS

LIVINGSTON COUNTY NURSING HOME DISTRICT, 1700 MORNINGSIDE DRIVE, CHILLICOTHE, MO (660) 646-0170 FAX (660) 646-0173

November 16, 2021

Dear Residents, Family Members, Responsible Parties and Staff,

COVID UPDATE:

Morningside Center Nursing Home and Assisted Living Apartments continues to do COVID testing twice a week of any staff not vaccinated. Residents are tested for COVID if they are showing signs of not feeling well. Infection control practices are still in place. Staff and visitors must wear masks, practice good hand hygiene, and follow social distancing guidelines regardless of vaccination status.

VISITING:

There are no changes in Morningside Center's visiting hours. The visiting hours remain from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. daily. Upon entering the facility, all visitors must take their temperature and complete one of the yellow contact tracings forms. Visitors must do this each time they enter the facility. Visitors are to visit in the resident's room or apartment. Visitors should not be in the dining room or any other area of the facilities unless they are an essential caregiver. PLEASE DO NOT VISIT IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL OR HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO COVID OR THE FLU. Our hope is residents will have the opportunity to enjoy the upcoming holidays with families.

RESIDENT APPOINTMENTS:

Morningside Center appreciates families who take their family member to appointments. The volume of appointments has necessitated me reaching out to families/responsible parties and asking them to assist in taking their loved one to appointments. When the staff person calls you about an upcoming appointment for your family member, they will ask you if you can take them to the appointment. Morningside will provide you with the necessary paperwork to take to the appointment.

THANKSGIVING:

Several have asked if residents will be able to leave the facility for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday. Currently, the answer is "yes." Each person the resident has contact with while out of the facility will need to fill out a contact tracing form. The person taking the resident out of the facility will be the one responsible to make sure the forms are completed and return them to the facility when returning the resident to the facility. If you are planning to take your family member out for Thanksgiving, please let us know by Tuesday, November 23, 2021.

If the resident will be out of the facility at a time they would receive medications, those medications will be in a medication envelope with instructions as to when to give the medication. The charge nurse will go over instructions for the medications with the person taking the resident out of the facility.

QUESTIONS:

As always, if you have questions and or suggestions, please contact me via email jsweets@morningsidecenter.com or call the facility -660-646-0170.

On behalf of the staff of Morningside Center we wish everyone a blessed Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Joan Sweets Administrator

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