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Landis Communities Update

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This past week, our country experienced actions none of us have ever witnessed or could even fathom. As we continue to face uncertainty in the world around us, let us take a moment to reflect on the guiding values of Landis Communities – Joy, Compassion, Integrity, Stewardship and Community. We have held tight to these values this past year as we have faced challenges like COVID-19, political unrest and social injustice. It is comforting to know that our organizational mission states that we live, serve and come together “in a community of Christ-like love.” May this thought bring comfort to your heart and peace for your day.

Regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, we understand that there are also many questions. Some of these include - Is it safe? When and how can I get it? Are enough other people getting it to make a difference? In our continued effort to be transparent, we will continue to share whatever information we have.

On December 28, 2020, 201 eligible Healthcare residents and team members on the Landis Homes campus who consented to receive it, were administered the first dose of the Pfizer vaccine. These individuals reported few side effects. This group will receive the second dose on January 18 and we will share with you if side effects are experienced with the second dose. Additional Healthcare residents and team members are signed up to receive the first dose next week. Some have asked what percentage of residents and team members are receiving the vaccine. We are tracking this data and will keep you informed throughout the process.

The goal for Landis Communities is to have at least 80-85% of residents and team members receive the vaccine. This is the target identified by experts as the amount needed to achieve widespread immunity. In order to accomplish this, it is important that each person seriously consider receiving it when it is offered. The team is working diligently to provide these opportunities as soon as possible. It is not mandatory at this time for team members or residents but the science indicates that it is an important part of stopping the spread of COVID-19. Other proven mitigation efforts (practicing hand hygiene, wearing a face covering, physical distancing and avoiding crowds) will continue even after receiving the vaccine.

Again, we will continue to update you with any information we have regarding the vaccine and the process for administering it.

Partner Updates

Pathways Institute for Lifelong Learning® - Join Pathways Institute for Lifelong Learning® on January 26 at 1:00 p.m. for our virtual kick-off event. This opportunity to connect with instructors and fellow lifelong learners will be held on Zoom to celebrate and start the Spring 2021 term. More



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than 160 guests from Lancaster County have already registered for this event. Due to the high interest, the registration deadline has been extended to January 20. Please RSVP by calling 717.591.7213 or by emailing info@thepathwaysinstitute.org

Affiliate Updates

Welsh Mountain Home

WMH is happy to announce the results of last week's universal testing was 100% negative. Our team member who was tested positive is recovering well and expected to be back at work next week. We will be testing everyone again today in hopes of receiving a second consecutive week of negative results. Our prayer is that, by Monday, we will be able to enter step two of reopening. Please watch our Facebook page and our website for reopening plans. More good news is that our COVID-19 vaccine partner, Walgreens Pharmacy, has indicated that they will be at WMH January 29, 2021 to administer the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to all of residents and staff who wish to receive it.

Landis at Home

Landis at Home presently has three team members out due to exposure to COVID-19. Voluntary vaccinations for home care team members has begun and will continue throughout the coming months. Landis at Home continues to provide personal protective equipment and education for our staff to decrease the risk of exposure to COVID-19. Clients and their household members are asked to follow Governor Wolf's mask mandate when a Landis at Home team member is in their home. We thank both our team and our clients for their efforts in decreasing the risk of exposure!

Landis Adult Day Services

Adult Day Services remains closed. We continue to plan to reopen when the Lancaster County positivity rate drops below 10% for two consecutive weeks, currently it sits at 14.0%. This week we have added an additional Virtual ADS session each day for clients to tune in for some learning and exploring. To our knowledge, no staff or clients are currently positive for COVID-19. Vaccinations have begun for our staff, with the majority of them scheduled to receive their first dose on 1/18/21.

Landis Homes

Cases and Testing

- **Healthcare** residents continue weekly COVID-19 testing and team members are tested twice weekly. There are no new resident cases since last week; however, two residents remain in quarantine. On January 7, two positive team members results were received.
- **Personal Care** household are all GREEN at this time and are moving to Step #2 of their reopening plan. This means that residents are no longer required to be isolated and can go to the dining rooms while taking all necessary precautions. CVS will be administering vaccines to Personal Care residents who choose to receive it beginning January 21, 2021.
- **Residential Living** two residents were tested since last report. Both were negative. We are asking that anyone in Residential Living who is aware that they have been exposed or who experiences any symptoms, to PLEASE call the RL nurse immediately. The sooner we are aware, the more we can help you and mitigate the spread of the virus.

Residential Living Reopening – An updated Reopening Plan document will be distributed with this update. A few noteworthy changes include:

- **Dining** - Limited seating in Garden Room and Owl Hill Bistro for residents only. Each table may include two residents from same household or two individuals from different households. Please do not pull tables together or move tables. Residents will follow CDC and PA State guidelines, including wearing a face covering unless eating or drinking. To order take-out or delivery from Garden Room call x3048 or from Owl Hill Bistro call x3574. Delivery fee applies. Dogwood Cafe is closed to residents. Outside guests not allowed in dining areas for seating or take-out at this time.
- **Life Enrichment** - Pool and Fitness Center are open at this time. Indoor activities limited to posted number allowed for room size. Participants must register and undergo screening. Resident led activities may resume with up to 10 persons (fewer if posted meeting space capacity is under 10). West Recreation Room open with guidelines.
- **Pastoral Services** – Most has not changed but one note is that resident led worship, Bible study, Christian education and support groups may resume with up to 10 people (fewer if posted meeting space capacity is under 10).

Residents, clients and family members may contact Jenny Sheckells with questions or concerns at jsheckells@landis.org or 717.381.3573. You may find other communications and videos on our website: www.landiscommunities.org/COVID

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