
COVID-19 UPDATE

TO: WESTMINSTER VILLAGE RESIDENTS
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Once again, it is my joy to tell you that we remain virus-free here at Westminster, to the best of my knowledge. All are doing everything they possibly can to keep each other safe. Today and tomorrow, the staff is enjoying a catered meal as just one of the ways we try to keep them uplifted.

This week we pulled the floor leaders and leadership of Resident Council together to both share information and gain insight. This meeting was yesterday and the minutes from it will be posted on your bulletin boards. In addition, if you would like your own copy of the minutes you can ask for it at the Front Desk. Much information was shared, including progress on the expansion and, of course, Covid-19 related items. A lot of detail is in that report and we are so grateful that we received several suggestions on how to improve service to you. One of the things I encouraged at that meeting was to have residents let us know how we can help them, and to share any concerns or suggestions with us of how we can meet the needs of their neighbors. We are a community, and a community in a position to continually strive to take care of each other.

Welcome back to some of our snowbirds. We will be so happy to see you in a couple of weeks after you have completed your quarantine.

We were very, very happy to hear that the testing site in Bloomington-Normal is going to stay open for another two weeks. While we are glad it is open currently, we fear for when it closes. We are especially fearful that it will close when our community begins to open again, at which time our risk increases. I have reached out to the heads of the medical staff for our two local hospitals to begin a discussion on how we can increase availability of testing and timely results for residents and staff when it is needed.

As I said in the Resident Council meeting, we are focusing on prevention, preparation, and compliance. While we do all of that we are also trying to keep an eye on the future, and ways that we can improve the health and well-being of everyone at Westminster as we proceed in this journey.