
WESTMINSTER UPDATE

TO: WESTMINSTER VILLAGE RESIDENTS AND TEAM MEMBERS
FROM: BARB NATHAN
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We are saddened to see the uptick in COVID infections in our state and community. This week, we received the new guidance from the CDC and are trying to determine what that means for Westminster, a nearly 100% vaccinated community. We do not want to put everyone back in masks but are encouraging all to be careful as you navigate outside of Westminster.

One change we are going to make is to require proof of vaccination for guests in the Hearth and Landing Dining Rooms beginning at 7:00 am on Monday August 2nd. Because we will be requiring this for dining guests, it will mean that no one under the age of 12 will be able to be in these dining rooms. Persons under age 12 are not yet eligible for the vaccine. We have encouraged you before to only have vaccinated guests and I am sure that is the case for the vast majority, if not all, of your guests, but to verify that the host will be checking the vaccinated status of guests before they are seated. Please let your guests know that this is required and proof of vaccination will have to be shown. We have done this with the guest rooms and it has gone very well.

It is very possible that this guidance will become more clear for our community in the upcoming days or weeks, and we may make adjustments to policy as we see a need for such change.

There was also news this week, released by Pfizer, of the alleged efficacy of a third dose. It is important to note that this research has not been peer-reviewed yet, nor has a request been made to the FDA to change the emergency-use authorization to allow a booster. If and when a booster is needed, we will be first in line to receive it for our team members and residents.

On Saturday, July 31, we will be using the Resident Center rooms and areas around the Foundation Garden Walk for a team member party. The food stations, for team members and their families to enjoy, will be inside but all other activities will be outside. This is a chance for our team members and their families to be thanked for all they have done for this organization in the last year and a half. The event will be from 11 am – 4 pm

As always, as you have suggestions for how the organization can be doing a better job of serving you, please don't hesitate to share those with us.