## **WESTMINSTER UPDATE**

**TO:** WESTMINSTER VILLAGE RESIDENTS AND TEAM MEMBERS

**FROM:** BARB NATHAN

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Effective Monday, February 28, in accordance with the change to policy for the State of Illinois, masks will be optional for persons at Westminster in areas other than the licensed areas of Assisted Living, Memory Care and Martin Health Center. All visitors and team members entering the licensed areas must be masked as required by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

I am relieved the caseloads have dropped allowing this change and I pray the case numbers further decline. We have and will continue to see cases among Independent Living residents. We are not going to continue to report these cases publicly in our community. We of course will support the individual, do necessary contact tracing, and provide communication and support for the contact. This change is being made to protect individual privacy. If we experience a significant outbreak of cases, we will adjust policies and communicate such.

The policy requiring visitors to the Hearth and Landing dining rooms as well as visitors staying in guest rooms to be fully vaccinated is not changing.