

Dear Family Member/Responsible Party,

In an effort to reopen our facility in accordance with the Department of Public Health Code Section 31-7-12.5, we have now developed and are ready to implement our Re-open Plan per the Administrative Order from DPH for Long Term Care Facilities. In order to avoid confusion in the future, we are outlining some guidance issued in the administrative order for indoor visitation. Our facility will be open for Indoor visitation beginning 4/19/21.

Indoor visitation will be granted based on two different phases: PHASE I and PHASE II as well as Meriwether County's COVID-19 positivity rate per the State of Georgia Department of Public Health. **You will be notified via text or phone call when there is a change in visitation protocol.** 

Before initial entrance into the facility you must review this information and sign confirming you have read the material, understand the content and agree to comply with facility requirements for visitation.

## ALL VISITORS MUST:

- ✓ Wear a surgical mask or well-fitting cloth mask (cloth masks must be laundered daily)
- ✓ NO masks with exhalation ports are allowed into the facility
- $\checkmark$  Consent to screening at the screening station before entering the facility
- ✓ Sign the visitor's log & complete the questions with each visitation
- ✓ Disinfect hands using the alcohol-based hand rub provided by the facility upon entrance; wash your hands frequently during your visit and again upon exiting the building
- ✓ Socially distance during your visit keeping 6 feet apart from others using the barriers implemented by the facility in the commons area
- ✓ For those residents who have been fully vaccinated, you may feel free to participate in close contact. In these cases you will be provided with a laminated green flyer which indicates close contact permissible.
- ✓ If your resident has not been fully vaccinated, social distancing must be practiced. All visits will be supervised to ensure guidelines are followed per DPH
- ✓ All visits must be scheduled by contacting 706-655-9246. Visits are allowed between the hours of 10AM-11AM and 2PM-4PM. Visits will not be scheduled during meal times or bath times as these are the busiest times for our staff.
- ✓ ALL visits will be held in our dining room/commons area and will be limited to 30 minutes each with only 5 residents/family visits at a time due to the requirement for staff to supervise visits.
- ✓ You may NOT visit other residents; only your loved one as to control traffic volume throughout the facility and reduce spread of infection.

As the authorized representative for your loved one in our facility, you should be receiving at minimum a weekly text/email from EVERBRIDGE. This alerts you to the latest updates within our facility. If you have a question about your loved one, please contact 706-655-9246 and speak to the Unit Secretary, Leisa Milliken. You should receive a call back with the status of your resident within the hour. If not, please contact the Director of Nursing, Lisa Baxter, RN, DON @ 706-655-9327 or Jacob Austin, Nursing Home Administrator @ 706-655-9263.

Resident