

Dear Residents and Families of Palisade Gardens and James Club

We wanted to provide everyone with an update on the recent Directive provided by the ministry.

Rapid testing and screening will continue for all staff and visitors entering the home, as well as providing proof of vaccination. Anyone with symptoms, covid 19 positive or have been a close contact to someone with Covid 19 are not permitted in the home for **10 days**.

Visits will continue **Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays from 12pm-6pm**. A reminder for all visitors that proof of vaccination is required, a negative rapid antigen test completed on site (we do have tests on site), and masks must be worn for the duration of the visit. The number of visitors at one time must be limited to two.

Residents will now be required to be rapid tested upon return from an outing. We are asking that all residents please go to the main entrance to be tested when they return to the home. For residents that go out daily, twice a week testing is required.

Entertainment is permitted to resume. I know many residents are very excited about this. Please note that public health measures must continue to be followed. Residents are encouraged to wear a mask. The number of participants must not exceed 50% of the total capacity of the event space.

Isolation periods have been lessened for those who have been admitted to hospital. A negative PCR test will be required (this is completed in hospital), followed by a Rapid Antigen test completed on day 5 and day 6 of isolation. If results are negative, isolation is discontinued.

Overnight absences are permitted. I am awaiting clarification for testing and isolation upon return and will provide an update as soon as I have received the information.

We would like to thank residents and families for their support in navigating the many changes over the last two years.

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