

September 24, 2021

Hi Everyone,

Happy to report that I have no new information for you this week. Although, we did see that the vaccine booster got approval yesterday however, I cannot say as of this writing what the plan is for us. I'm sure by next week will know more.

I report this on my last newsletter:

There is a new reporting method for the current level of Community Transmission in the state. I used to share the "Positivity Rates" but now the state had adopted the CDC's reporting method. CDC has now gone to color-coded reporting system; Gray = No Data, **Blue** = Low Transmission, **Yellow** = Moderate Transmission, **Orange** = Substantial Transmission, **Red** = High Transmission. I have added the current weeks status (as of 9/15) to this letter/email as an attachment. As you will see it is not good throughout the state. If this type of info interest you please go to: https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases_community for more information.

The following interventions continue to be in place:

- All approved unvaccinated staff continue to wear an N95 mask and surgical mask
- All other staff are wearing a surgical mask at all times and in all areas
- We screen all staff before all shifts
- We screen all visitors upon entering the building
- We screen all vendors upon entering the building
- We are testing all approved non-vaccinated staff two times per week per guidelines
- All residents are assessed for signs and symptoms of Covid-19, 2 times a day and if there is a noticeable change in their condition

Past News Letters/Other Info:

- News letters are posted on our web site under COVID Updates.
- MTC's visitation guidelines can be found on our web site.
<https://mtcarmelrehabcenter.org/covid-19-update/> .
- ❖ **If you have any problems scheduling a visit please call Barbra Gray, Life Enrichment Director, Monday-Friday at 935-4607 and she can assist you.**

Activities Update from Barbara:

If you want to see what's been happening in activities please log into our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/mtcarmelnursing> To help spread the word/fun please "like" and share with you family and friends.

We hope that you will follow our page and see all the fun things that we are doing in the building. Also, we would like to post more Residents doing things, but we need a photo release; this gives us permission to post pictures. If you would like to see your loved one in pictures we post, please email me for the release form at: mtc.activitydir@nh-cc.org

We are currently participating in a “CANstruction” competition. The Residents helped to build the “CANstruction” this past Monday, and have posted pictures on our Facebook page @ <https://www.facebook.com/mtcarmelnursing>

Monthly ZOOM Meeting:

Our next zoom meeting will be on October 21st at 6pm, mark your calendars; an invite will go out prior to that meeting.

Have a great week,

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