

December 17, 2021

Hello Everyone,

Thank you to everyone that joined us on the monthly family zoom call last night. I really do not have anything new to add to the update I sent you yesterday. We will be testing all residents and staff again next week.

**NH Transmission Rate:**

New Hampshire remains in the **RED** zone or at a substantial/high community transmission rate.

**The following interventions are in place:**

- The residents that the LNA came in contact with were placed on quarantine and staff are wearing full enhanced PPE when caring for them.
- Approved unvaccinated staff continue to wear an N95 mask, surgical mask and eye protection at all times and in all resident/patient care areas.
- All other staff are wearing a surgical mask an N95 and eye protection at all times and in all resident/patient care areas.
- 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.
- We screen all staff, visitors, vendors, and other healthcare providers upon entering the building.
- We test all approved non-vaccinated staff two times per week per state guidelines

**From Barbara, (activities):**

**Labeling Clothing:** Because this is the season for gift giving we want to do our best to ensure any gifts of clothing are properly labeled. This will help us to expedite their safe return to your friends and loved ones. Upon bringing in any new clothing items, we ask that you give them to the nursing staff on the unit; they in turn will see that the clothes are labeled and brought back to the resident's room in a timely manner. Labeling ensures that clothing items can be easily identified and given back to the correct owner. We encourage everyone to have labeling done regardless as to whether the facility is currently doing the laundry or it is being done outside of the facility. We thank you for your help. Please see Resident Handbook for more information. Note: Anything given as a gift on Christmas day my staff will put it aside and give to laundry to be labeled.

**Reminders:**

- We do not allow real poinsettias on the Memory Care unit. Thank you for your understanding on this.

- “Real” decorations are not allowed in resident rooms at this or any other facility due to fire regulations. This includes but is not limited to, wreaths or trees. Lights or lighted villages must be checked by the maintenance department before plugging them in. No items are to be hung outside of the room (on the door) at any time.

**Past News Letters/Other Info:**

- ✓ News letters are posted on our web site under COVID Updates.  
<https://mtcarmelrehabcenter.org/covid-19-update/> .
- ❖ The reporting method for the current level of Community Transmission in the state via the CDC’s reporting system is now color-coded; Gray = No Data, **Blue** = Low Transmission, **Yellow** = Moderate Transmission, **Orange** = Substantial Transmission, **Red** = High Transmission: If this type of info interest you please go to:  
[https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases\\_community](https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases_community) for more information.

**Monthly ZOOM Meeting:**

Our next zoom meeting will be Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, mark your calendars; an invite will go out prior to that meeting.

**Hiring:**

We have an opening for a part-time and per-diem receptionist. We also have openings in dietary and nursing. If you or anyone you know is interested in working as a full or part-time Unit Aide or interested in becoming an LNA (we offer paid training), please contact Roxanne Ashby ADNS @ 935-4612. Please spread the word 😊 Go To:

<https://recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/Jobs/All/1a2915aa-7fbd-4325-96f0-1ace5d58d007/New-Hampshire-Catholic-Charities?location=All%20Locations&department=Mt.%20Carmel>

Have a great week,

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