

Because we care Update: May 3, 2022

We are so pleased that warmer weather is finally here. Our residents will be able to start enjoying some outdoor activities in the gardens as they begin to welcome the spring. Here is our latest update on our current COVID-19 status. We continue to follow the directives from the CIUSSE-CHUS that apply to private senior's residences. We invite you to take note of the following information:

Current COVID-19 status:

Effective May 2, we are pleased to announce that Grace Village is back to regular status where all visitors, family caregivers and volunteers are welcome to the Care Pavilion. **When there is no outbreak**, up to **2 family caregivers or other visitors** may visit a resident at a time. Visitors may circulate in the common areas of the Care Pavilion including the gardens, wearing a clean medical mask, respecting social distancing, and practicing hand hygiene. Outings to attend gatherings follow the same conditions as the general public.

If a new outbreak occurs, visits will be limited to **one (1) family caregiver, per day, per resident** in all wings from the designated list of 4 family caregivers. If we have one positive case of COVID-19 we are considered in an outbreak. The outbreak status remains effective for a minimum of 10 days following the last day of the last person out of isolation.

If a resident shows any COVID-19 symptoms, they are immediately tested. If a resident is exposed to an employee or visitor who tests positive, the resident is monitored for COVID-19 like symptoms up to 10 days.

Sandra Klinck, Director of Care, or Jill Guthrie, Nurse Supervisor, will communicate directly with mandataries in the event a resident test positive. Exceptions apply for palliative care or other special circumstances.

Fourth booster vaccination

The majority of our residents had their 4th booster vaccination on April 27th. The CIUSSE-CHUS team will come back for those who were not eligible.

New Care & Accommodation Rates

The new Care and Accommodation rates were mailed before Easter. Please email info@masscom.ca if you haven't received them and we will send them to you electronically before the lease meeting. There seems to have been some delays with Canada Post.

Labelling Clothing Items

Important reminder that any articles sent to laundry must be left at Reception to be labelled before they are brought to the resident's room. This will ensure that they are returned to the appropriate owner.



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Suggestion Box

Please do not hesitate to include any suggestions in the designated box near the Bistro. We value your input as we strive to continually improve Resident Life at Grace Village !

Recreation & Leisure

The Recreation & Leisure team will be focusing on implementing more outdoor activities to take full advantage of the fresh air and sunshine! Group activities have resumed this week and residents are excited for familiar favourites like carpet bowling and Bingo, as well as new opportunities to experience and learn like Armchair travel to Mexico, and an information session All About Bees!

This month we will be welcoming several summer students who will be working as part of our Intergenerational Project, focusing on building activities with a mixed-generational focus between residents and local youth.

Church services will also be resuming with the Frazer family, a non-denominational service with Rev. Matt Court, an Anglican Holy Eucharist & Evensong Service, and a United Church Prayer Service.

For Mother's Day, we are happy to honour all the women living at Grace Village: the mothers, grandmothers, great grandmother's, great-great- grandmothers (yes, we have a few!), the dear friends, and mentors, and all those who have spent their lives sharing their hearts with those around them. We will be hand delivering a special gift and enjoying a Mother's Day themed dessert in recognition of how special they all are.

Please consult our Activity Calendar posted on our website at <http://www.gracevillage.ca/calendar>.

Staffing Update

We are pleased to welcome Robyn Grey as the new Business Office Coordinator. You will see her friendly smile at Reception, Monday to Friday.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to Grace Village.

On behalf of the Leadership team,

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