

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information Update:
Thursday, May 20, 2021

Related to the latest COVID-19 pandemic guidance from both the CDC and the Pennsylvania Department of Health, the following are now effective at Tel Hai Retirement Community:

MASK WEARING:

- **IF YOU ARE FULLY* VACCINATED:** Individuals who are fully vaccinated may go “maskless” in indoor and outdoor spaces on the Tel Hai campus.
 - In general, you are considered “fully” vaccinated when 2 weeks have passed after your second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines; OR, when 2 weeks have passed after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen vaccine.
- **IF YOU ARE UNVACCINATED:** Individuals who are unvaccinated are still required to wear their mask in all indoor spaces. For outdoor spaces, unvaccinated individuals are still required to wear their mask when they are within 6-feet of others.
- **REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS: All individuals— regardless of vaccination status— are still required to wear a mask upon entry to Meadows Health Care Center, Lakeview Personal Care or Adult Day Services.** Therefore, when visiting, working, or living within those spaces, all team members, residents, guests, vendors, visitors, etc. are still required to wear a mask.
 - We have NOT yet received additional guidance from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)— which is followed by the PA Department of Health within Meadows Health Care Center and Department of Human Services within Lakeview Personal Care— related to changes in mask wearing policies or procedures.

OCCUPANCY GUIDELINES & SOCIAL DISTANCING:

Additionally, effective Monday, May 31, all COVID-19 restrictions related to occupancy limits of gatherings, public spaces, culinary venues, etc., will be lifted.

COVID-19 Communication Reminders:

- While we strive for transparency in everything we do, please know that we are bound by federal guidelines under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), which protect the privacy of team members and residents who may not want their condition known.
- We have notified public health officials as required and have enacted recommended procedures as a result of these COVID-19 positive test results. We have followed, and will continue to do so, all guidance set forth for privacy, patient care, resident and team member safety, and efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19.
- We appreciate your understanding as we continue to vigorously enforce all safety and security measures in place, as the wellbeing of residents and team members is our first priority. We ask that you support our community by following the recommendations set forth by the CDC/

The public will be provided periodic updates on our efforts to combat COVID-19. Communication methods include written notices our website at www.telhai.org/Covid19 and on our 24-hour Tel Hai COVID-19 hotline at 484-796-4862.