AgeCare Weekly Update

Friday, February 18, 2022

Dear Residents and Families,

We remain committed to providing updates to our residents, families, and staff at AgeCare. We are providing weekly updates to keep you all informed on what is happening at our communities and organization-wide.

- 1. Shout-Out to our Residents
- 2. COVID-19 Update
- 3. Visitor Guidelines
- 4. Let's all get Boosted!
- 5. Recreation Calendars
- 6. Great Opportunities for Caring People

We hope these weekly updates are helpful. Thank you all for your continued support.



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Shout-Out to our Wonderful Residents

The AgecCare family is blessed to have so many kind, patient, good-natured residents who never fail to offer a smile or cheerful comment to others! The impacts of this pandemic and the safety precautions that followed have been hard on everyone, but many of our cherished seniors seem to take these changes in stride... perhaps harvesting seeds of wisdom from their many years of living and learning.

This week we pay special tribute to our residents. You are our heroes and our greatest source of purpose, inspiration and joy.

COVID-19 Update

While BC. has lifted many restrictions and safety measures, the vaccine card and rules regarding long-term care visitors remain in place but will be reviewed over the next two months.

Here is a quick review of BC changes that came into effect this week:

Restrictions lifted:

- No restrictions on indoor and outdoor personal gatherings.
- Full capacity allowed for indoor and outdoor events and fitness and sports activities.
- Full capacity and fewer restrictions in restaurants, bars, pubs and nightclubs:
- Dancing is allowed when wearing a mask indoors.

Restrictions that are **NOT** changing:

- Masks required in all indoor public settings
- Showing proof of vaccination to access many businesses, events and services
- Businesses must have a COVID-19 safety plan
- · Restrictions on visitors to long-term care and assisted living facilities
- Restrictions on worship services
- Restrictions on child and youth overnight camps
- K to 12 and child care safety guidelines

Visitor Guidelines

New Visitor Guidelines during an Outbreak

As communicated previously, the Public Health Officer has revised their visit guidelines for when a community is on an outbreak.

Coming for a visit?

Please familiarize yourself with these guidelines.

<u>Download the Visitor Guide (PDF) --></u>



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Let's all get Boosted!

Vaccine effectiveness against infection may decline over time – especially with the highly transmissible Omicron variant – but they remain the best way to prevent severe illness and death. Additional doses can boost immunity to improve protection and limit spread.

Who can book:

 Anyone over the age of 12, six months after receiving your second dose.

How to book:

Register with the <u>Get Vaccinated</u> system



Visit Get Vaccinated to book your 3rd dose.

Recreation Calendars

Our recreation team works hard to create engaging activities that enrich the mind, body and spirit. We are continuously looking for ways to reduce the risk of transmission while having the least impact on resident well-being. At this time, visitors are not permitted to attend indoor recreations programming, including concerts. We appreciate your understanding.

Please note that communities with an exposure or on outbreak may have different recreation restrictions in effect. Contact your community or <u>sign up for email updates</u> to stay informed on the latest information.

View the Recreation Calendars for your AgeCare Community:

Brandt's Creek Mews	Cariboo Place	Harmony Court
Monashee Mews	Mount Ida Mews	

We're Hiring

Did you know AgeCare is hiring? Great opportunities for caring people. From health care aides to food services to recreation to administration and more, we are looking for dedicated and caring individuals.

If you or someone you know is looking for an exciting new opportunity, check out our careers page at www.agecare.ca/hiring.

