



To: The Timbercrest Community

Date: 9/10/20

From: Sabine Thomas, HFA Dir. of Resident Care

RE: Community Notice

Dear Resident:

So much has happened over the course of one week. We have had two members test positive for Covid-19 which initiated the need to move residents to the COVID care area and into quarantine. Per the most recent Centers for Medicare and Medicaid guidelines which became effective 9/2/20 all of the Health Care and Crestwood residents were tested for Covid-19 and all were negative!!! As were all the staff who were exposed to the positive staff member. Consequently all residents were returned to their regular rooms. At the beginning of this week, all of the Timbercrest employees were tested for Covid-19 per Indiana's mandate. Those results will be coming in within 3-5 days. In keeping with the latest CMS guidance we will have to test all staff and all residents in Health Care and Crestwood again at the beginning of next week.

How does all of that affect you? Unfortunately it means that all Outdoor Visits, Essential Caregiver Visits, Communal Dining, beauty shop appointments, and excursions off campus are suspended for the time being, as well as group activities, and informal gatherings with friends and family who do not live in your area of residence.

You are still able to:

- Keep and schedule medical appointments and if you are driven by Timbercrest drivers you will not have to be quarantined. Your family member may meet you at the medical office to attend the appointment with you.
- Enjoy visits through closed windows (and use of phones for better hearing)
- Receive packages dropped off at the Main Entrance
- Residential residents are encouraged to walk in the building and on campus and enjoy the inner courtyard.

How long will this go on? I wish I could tell you. What I know is, that at best, this situation will last through Sunday, September 20. At worst ... and with just one more positive case during these fourteen days, we will have to add another 14 days of restrictions starting on the day of that test result.

We are truly in this TOGETHER ... everyone's actions have consequences for everyone else! I thank you for wearing your mask at all times in public and when someone is in your room; for visiting through closed windows at this time only; for staying on campus; and for receiving gifts and essentials through drop off at the Main Entrance instead of in-person deliveries.

Refuse Fear; Remain Generous; Stay Faithful; Be a Community – Care about Others.