General Manager COVID-19 UPDATE

03/26/2021

As of 03/26/2021 there have been no new reports of COVID-19 exposures or infections at Del Mesa Carmel (DMC). We continue to require the wearing of masks and social distancing on the grounds. The Monterey County Health Department has announced a reduction in its COVID-19 protocol restrictions effective March 17, 2021 by going to "Red-Tier" status. Indoor dining is now open at 25% capacity as is all other gatherings and events. Staff has moved an exercise bike into the "Stretch-Room" temporarily for use while we await the completion of the exercise center. More announcements forthcoming.

Thank you all for your support as we begin the process of re-opening social activities and events at DMC.

As a reminder, the second shot of the COVID-19 vaccine is scheduled for Monday, March 29, 2021 for those who had their first shot on March 1st. Your appointment is at the same time as your first shot.

Employee's temperatures continue to be monitored each morning and documented. We continue to expect personnel and residents to self-report any possible exposures or symptoms they might have to management and self-quarantine when appropriate. All possible exposures and verified COVID-19 cases will be reported to the Monterey County Health Department by management.

Residents should be aware; notification or dissemination of any specific information referencing an employee's exposure to COVID-19 is prohibited and protected by HIPPA and must be handled as confidential information. As has been previously communicated, individual employees cannot be required to submit to testing unless all employees are required at the same time. This directive comes directly from the Monterey County Health Department.

The Board of Directors and management continue to re-evaluate COVID-19 protocols and will make modifications to restrictions, as necessary. Residents will continue to receive routine updates on DMC statuses and any/all information we are able to share while respecting the "right to privacy" versus "a need to know."

Again, thank you for your cooperation and participation.

Respectfully,

Richard A. Cox General Manager