COVID-19 Advisory



To: Willow Valley Communities Residents

From: Dennis W. Griest, President and CFO

Date: June 18, 2020

Subject: Positive COVID-19 Resident

An Independent Living Resident at Manor (apartments) has tested positive for COVID-19. Under her physician's care for other medical concerns and prior to the COVID-19 diagnosis, the Resident was transferred to Lancaster General Hospital/Penn Medicine, where a COVID-19 test was subsequently conducted and the positive test result was returned. The Resident remains at the hospital for treatment.

Willow Valley Communities is following protocols for contact with appropriate government agencies and is taking every step possible to limit further exposure. Upon learning of the Resident's positive test result, Willow Valley Communities immediately initiated its contact tracing protocols to identify any known person (Residents and/or Team Members) with whom the affected Resident may have had direct close contact in our communities within a specified period. That tracing process revealed that one Resident and one Team Member had direct close contact with the COVID-19 positive Resident. Those persons have been notified and have been asked to follow government health agency protocols to mitigate further transmission risk; these could include self-monitoring, screening, and/or isolation.

Willow Valley Communities has been taking proactive measures to protect residents and team members since first knowledge of COVID-19. The community has been adhering to, and in many cases exceeding, the recommended control measures and guidelines of the PA DOH, CDC, and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Control measures are continuously updated as new information becomes available.