



## COVID-19 Advisory

**To:** Willow Valley Communities Residents  
**From:** Dennis W. Griest, President and CFO  
**Date:** July 9, 2020  
**Subject:** Positive COVID-19 Resident at Meadow Ridge

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A Resident residing at Meadow Ridge has tested positive for COVID-19. Prior to the COVID-19 diagnosis, the Resident was transferred to Lancaster General Hospital/Penn Medicine for an unrelated medical concern. There, a COVID-19 test was subsequently conducted and the positive test result was returned. The Resident remains at the hospital. Prior to returning to Willow Valley Communities (date undetermined), the Resident will be evaluated for placement based on individual assessment/needs. It is anticipated that the Resident will be admitted to the designated COVID-19 unit at The Glen if skilled care is required.

Willow Valley Communities is following protocols for contact with appropriate government agencies. Upon learning of the Resident's positive test results, Willow Valley Communities 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 process revealed that no Team Members had exposure with the COVID-19 positive Resident that requires additional risk mitigation. Willow Valley Communities has implemented additional precautionary measures and enhanced monitoring within the unit in which the COVID-19 positive Resident resides.

The tracing process revealed that one other Resident had direct close contact with the COVID-19 affected Resident. That Resident, a spouse who resides in Independent Living and is asymptomatic for COVID-19, is following government health agency protocols and is presently isolating in their residence and is being monitored by Willow Valley Communities' Resident Nursing team.

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.