



**STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

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Dear Residents, Families, and Resident Representatives,

This letter is being sent to provide you with updated information on the COVID-19 status in our Home.

We are working closely with the local Health Department, Centers for Disease Control, Centers for Medicare, and Medicaid Services (CMS), and our State Department of Health and following their guidance and recommendations to ensure we are safeguarding our residents and staff.

**Currently there are no residents with Covid and we are no longer in Outbreak status.**

Modifications/Guidelines to Visitation, Group Activities, and Dining Rooms:

- Visitors should not visit the facility until 10 days from COVID-19 illness.
- In-person visits are allowed but we do ask that you wear a mask in common areas.
- Our Housekeeping, Maintenance and Laundry departments are also working hard throughout our facility, ensuring equipment and linen are kept clean and sanitized. Our housekeeping team provides continuous disinfections of all the most touched surfaces within the building along with the daily cleaning, sanitation, and repair routines that they provide.

We will continue to monitor and test staff and residents according to the guidance from our local health jurisdiction. In addition, staff are asked to report any symptoms that occur after coming to work.

**Vaccine Information**

We encourage all residents, staff, and community members who are able and eligible to be vaccinated to consider getting vaccinated for COVID-19, Influenza, and RSV. Please contact your physician or area pharmacist.

**Healthcare Setting COVID-19 Outbreak Definition:**

1 or more COVID-19 case(s) which originated in the veteran's home in a resident OR 1 or more COVID-19 cases in Healthcare Personnel linked to facility exposure.

Additional information can be found at [www.dva.wa.gov/covid](http://www.dva.wa.gov/covid), or by calling us at 360-895-4700.

Sincerely,

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