



July 28, 2021

Dear Residents, Family and Team Members,

Yesterday, we learned a fully vaccinated residential living resident has tested positive for COVID-19. Though the chance for transmission from and to vaccinated people is small, even with the Delta variant, we are taking measures to minimize your risk.

We have notified individuals who have been possibly exposed, according to the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention's definition of 15 minutes or more within six feet without a mask.

All CLV-sponsored activities now require mask wearing for the next 10 days. We strongly encourage resident-sponsored activities require masking during the next 10 days. All residents are also required to wear masks on CLV's transportation vehicles.

Dining services are not affected and remain unchanged.

You may ask, given the extremely high vaccination rate in Residential Living (98%), why are we taking these precautions: doesn't the science say there is nowhere for the virus to go, and if a vaccinated person tests positive, they are likely not infectious? These statements are largely accurate; however, this is the most recent information from the CDC:

*"Infections in fully vaccinated people (i.e. breakthrough infections) happen in only a small proportion of people who are fully vaccinated, even with the Delta variant. Moreover, when these infections occur among vaccinated people, they tend to be mild. However, preliminary evidence suggests fully vaccinated people who do become infected with the Delta variant **can be infectious and spread the virus to others.**"*

For your safety, we are treating the test results as if they were from the Delta variant, though we do not know this yet.

Regardless of residents' vaccination status, if they test positive for COVID-19, they must isolate for at least 10 days per the CDC's guidelines.

We will notify you if we can rescind the precautions in a shorter time frame. View the most recent CDC recommendations at [Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People | CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html) (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html>)

Please continue to conduct yourselves with care and help keep us all safe. It is not time to let our guard down.

Sincerely,

John B. Henry  
Executive Director