

COMMUNICATION 71 October 05, 2021

Families, Residents & Staff

Thanksgiving Weekend

We are wishing all a very Happy Thanksgiving. We know that many of our residents and families would like to go out for brunch or dinner. With Covid 19/Delta numbers escalating we **HIGHLY RECOMMEND** that you visit here at Riverwood Square and avoid gatherings. We maintain that by practicing safety protocols, we will continue to keep our residents safe. The recent move from Public Health to Orange Alert is a strong indication that there needs to be concern and we must remain diligent in our safety protocols.

Please review the October 05<sup>th</sup> Public Health Orders in effect, noting the restrictions of gatherings of unvaccinated persons.

Flu shots are scheduled for November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021. Thanks to all that have forwarded their completed forms to us. If you have not completed it-please get to us as soon as possible.

Booster for Covid19 - We have not been given any direct information as to when this will happen. We do know that 'congregate' living is going to receive the booster. We will advise as soon as we know the date. Of course, there will be another form.....

Previous Information – October 17<sup>th</sup> compliance.

Re: Public Health Order August 24, 2021

From government of Manitoba "Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccination

Manitoba has announced that designated employees who work with vulnerable populations must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 by October 31, 2021, and must provide proof of vaccination to their employer OR undergo frequent COVID-19 testing. The requirement, by Public Health Order, will include all health care workers employed by or working in areas of direct patient/resident/client care in either public or private health care settings, including hospitals, licensed long-term care facilities, community, and home care environments.

In order to be compliant with this requirement, individuals must receive their first dose by September 7, 2021. To be **fully vaccinated by the end of October, individuals must receive their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine no later than October 17, 2021.** "

Visitors, Families, Volunteers, Service Providers and Public Health Order

Our staff and residents must comply with the Public Health Order and **effective immediately we are asking the families and visitors provide proof of their vaccine status. Please present your vaccine card when you screen in. Masks are to be worn at all times in the building and is mandatory. We will be firm with this policy, and we ask for all to comply.**

Thanks to all our families in your diligence in keeping all residents and staff safe. Your ongoing support is truly appreciated.

Linda Sherrin  
General Manager  
lsherrin@riverwoodsquare.com