

February 9, 2021



Dear Residents, Patients and Families,

We hope you are well as we send our weekly update on the health and safety of our campus.

We are pleased to report that we are COVID-19 free with NO new neighborhood cases to report for a second straight week. This means that we are officially out of outbreak status and are able to lift some restrictions on our mitigating strategies. Great news for all!

Small group activities have resumed, as well as small group dining on the neighborhoods, all with appropriate masking and social distancing.

And indoor visits have resumed! This is all welcome news for our health center staff and residents, as well as for all of our families planning a visit. Due to wintery weather, we are not scheduling window visits.

Remember, you can now book your in-person visit online by following the steps below:

- Click on this Link: <https://mcleancare.simplybook.me/v2>.
- This will direct you to the McLean Healthcare page of SimplyBookMe!
- Click on “Book Now” and then on the specific neighborhood.
- Indicate the type of visit you want from the choices presented.
- Click on the available time that works for you.

During your first visit to this site, you will be asked to create an account with a password. After you have selected a time, you will receive a confirmation email. Should your requested time be unavailable, we will reach out to you with other options. Please limit your request to “one type” of request weekly, to allow as many family visits as possible.

Compassionate care visits are still booked through Kathy Cookson, once approved by the medical team. If you would like to schedule a compassionate care visit, prefer to book a time with Kathy directly, or have any questions regarding scheduling or planning your visit, please reach out to Kathy directly at 860-658-3725 or kathy.cookson@mcleancare.org

As a reminder, all visitors must wear masks and be screened at the front entrance of our Health Center. Please bring your driver's license or photo ID. Also, please do not visit if you are not feeling well and be sure to abide by all travel guidelines, found here: <https://portal.ct.gov/coronavirus/travel>

Our amazing staff has been the driving force behind keeping our community safe. Without the hard work and dedication of every single individual, every day, we would not be able to make these very welcome changes. By staying "McLean Strong" and remaining vigilant in safety measures, we are able to offer bright spots in our residents' days.

With hope on the horizon, we are looking forward to warmer, brighter days ahead.

Be well,



David Bordonaro
President



Lisa Clark
Vice President, Administrator of the Health Center

Mitigating Strategies

Our staff remains vigilant in appropriate screening, PPE usage and hand hygiene. Our mitigating strategies continue to be in effect. You will find these listed below:

- Vaccine being offered to all staff and residents.
- Inside visits have resumed. End of life and compassionate care visits are being scheduled with physician approval.
- Small group activities, including small group dining, have resumed for neighborhoods with residents who are not under quarantine.
- A health screening process is in place at our entrance for all essential personnel entering the building and for those who have scheduled visits.
- We anticipate the Beauty Salon / Barber Shop to begin scheduling appointments next week.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is available and worn by all staff while on campus.
- Enhanced cleaning process with approved products used and an increased focus on touched surfaces remains top priority.
- Masks are provided to all residents to wear when out of their room or if engaged with their care team (with the exception of face care, taking medications or eating).
- Regular audits are conducted by the CT Department of Public Health, National Guard and CDC to survey our infection control practices. Internal campaigns and audits have been implemented to reinforce consistent and effective preventative measures.
- Medical appointments via telemedicine are encouraged whenever possible.
- COVID-19 testing of staff follows the Governor's executive orders and we are currently working with state assigned partners. All staff will test once weekly per CMS recommendations. We will follow isolating protocols should any resident receive a positive test result and implement additional testing and cohorting strategies.

Cumulative data below is from March 2020 to February 9, 2021.

Positive cases are noted based on a resident's home neighborhood.

	Positive	Last positive case reported on:	Recovered	Deaths
Assisted Living				
Robinson	1		1	
Atwater	1		1	
Abernethy	16	1/13/21	13	2 (1 at other facility)
Total for Assisted Living	18	1/13/21	15	
Skilled Nursing				
Evergreen Way (post-acute)	13	1/6/21	11	1 (1/29/21) (1 at other facility)
Chapel Crossing	2	1/14/21	2	
Skyview Terrace	21	1/4/21	16	5
Total for Skilled Nursing	36	1/4/21	29	
Employees	43	1/29/21	43	