

# Justus CORONAVIRUS UPDATE



**June 22, 2021**

Thank you to our residents, staff, Essential Family Caregivers, families, partners, guests and the those in the general public who have received the Covid-19 vaccine. With the increase in vaccination rates, life is beginning to return to a sense of normalcy. How grateful we are to witness families reunite, residents dine together, and staff rejuvenated. While we continue our safety protocols to protect our residents and staff, we are excited to move forward with relaxed restrictions. Once again, residents can enjoy the amenities and the culture that make our communities special.

## Vaccination Status

Starting in early December 2020, senior living communities have had access to the Covid-19 vaccine. We coordinated with Omnicare/CVS to provide the three initial vaccination clinics for residents and staff and have continued to partner with InTouch Pharmacy, our regular pharmacy provider, in order to offer ongoing vaccinations.

**Resident Vaccinations** – Justus Senior Living is proud to have 97% of residents across all communities fully vaccinated.

**Vaccination Clinics** – Each community has completed their initial vaccination clinics and continues to provide monthly vaccination clinics where residents and staff are able to receive the vaccine of their choosing at no cost.

## Protecting Our Community

Everyone who enters our community, must be screened at the main entrance. This consists of a temperature check for fever, an online screening questionnaire at one of our health kiosks and observation by a staff member stationed at the screening area. All visitors are required to wear a mask while in the community.

**Community Access** – Visitors enter through the main entrance. During normal business hours, our concierge staff will let you in and direct you to the screening kiosks. After hours, press the button for assistance and a member of our health services team will allow you in and direct you through the same screening process.

**Testing** – All residents and staff will continue to be tested for Covid-19 if they show symptoms of the virus regardless of their vaccination status.

**Safety Protocols** – Everyone enters through one main entrance. High touch areas are cleaned regularly with a hospital grade disinfectant. Staff wear masks at all times in common areas and when around residents. Our assisted living and memory care residents are monitored for signs and symptoms of Covid -19 daily.

## Visitation

We are pleased to announce that in response to the updated guidance from the Indiana State Department of Health, visitation is now open 24/7 with a few restrictions. All visitors must continue to be screened at a central entrance and masks must be worn in common areas at all times. Visitation must occur in the resident's apartment, designated indoor area, or outdoors but does not need to be

scheduled through the community. All children are welcome to visit and any child over 2 years of age must wear a mask.

**Vaccinated Residents and Visitors** - When a visitor and resident are both vaccinated, masks may be removed while in the resident apartment. Vaccinated residents may have as many vaccinated visitors as space allows and do not have to practice social distancing.

**Unvaccinated Residents or Visitors** – When a visitor or resident are unvaccinated, masks must be always worn by both parties. Visitors will be limited as space allows for proper social distancing.

## Dining

With the return of communal dining, some of our dining room restrictions have been removed effective Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Plexiglass dividers have been removed from the tables and dining rooms are set to full capacity. Everyone enjoys dining with us, but our dining rooms are only currently open to residents. With anticipation, we wait for the guideline change so that families and guests can once again join us in our dining rooms. Dining room accessibility may differ per community.

**Vaccinated Residents** – If a resident and those sitting with a resident are fully vaccinated, there is no need for physical distancing or mask wearing. The restaurants are at full capacity and these residents can sit next to and across from one another as space allows at a table.

**Unvaccinated Residents** - If a resident is unvaccinated and joins communal dining, all residents should wear a mask when not eating. The unvaccinated resident will be seated at a private table at least 6 feet from vaccinated residents.

## Life Enrichment and Fitness

Our life enrichment and fitness classes are very popular and well attended. Like dining, we have returned to full capacity at our events with restrictions based on vaccination status. Those from the outside community who share their expertise have been invited back to teach or lead classes such as yoga, pet therapy, music therapy and art classes.

**Vaccinated Residents** – If a resident and those sitting with a resident are fully vaccinated, there is no need for physical distancing or mask wearing.

**Unvaccinated Residents** – If a resident is unvaccinated and joins a group activity, they will be seated at a private table and at least 6 feet from other residents. The unvaccinated resident must wear a mask.

As vaccination rates increase and the cases of Covid - 19 decrease, we look forward to a post-pandemic world. If you have not received your vaccination, please join us, sign up and be a part of the solution. Together, we weathered a very difficult storm, built trust, communicated frequently, supported and encouraged one another and today, together, we celebrate this new beginning. A special thank you to our residents, families and staff for their time, patience, contributions and cooperation. The future is bright.

With gratitude,

Justus Leadership