



August 29, 2021

Dear Resident/Representative:

As promised in our previous communications with you, we have committed to notify you of any new COVID-19 cases in Briarwood. In accordance with our testing plan and regulation, our testing resulted in one resident positive case of COVID-19 on August 28th. The resident that had tested positive for COVID-19 was relocated to our COVID unit for additional monitoring and oversight, and to isolate them from the rest of our resident population. All other resident and associate testing conducted this past week was negative. Our associate positive case count since the beginning of August remains at three, with our last associate positive case on August 17th.

In accordance with the guidance issued by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and in response to the resident positive case from August 28th, relevant changes to operations, visitation, and testing are listed below:

- Universal Testing of all residents and associates
 - Associate testing will be conducted again on August 30th and 31st and September 2nd and 3rd
 - Resident testing will be conducted again on August 31st and September 3rd
- All indoor visitation has been suspended for all of Briarwood for at least 14 more days. We will be conducting pre-scheduled outdoor visitation for those residents not on quarantine during the listed visitation times on the visitation flyer.
- Please note that face masks are required for residents and visitors during visitation regardless of vaccination status, including during outdoor visitations.
- All new admissions or readmissions to Briarwood will be required to quarantine for 14 days, regardless of vaccination status.
- With the activation of the COVID Unit, the Elm/Forest Entrance to Briarwood that had just opened on Monday 8/23/21, is now closed, effective immediately. The AMITA entrance is once again the main entrance to Briarwood.

We will continue to offer Pre-scheduled window visits and virtual visits will continue. All virtual and window visits can be scheduled no less than 24 hours in advance by emailing requested days and times to the following email address: briarwood.connection@myfso.org

Please add Family Facetime or Window Visit in the subject line. You can also call the Life Enrichment Office at 847-884-5216 to schedule a virtual or window visit.

Updates will be provided to you via letter every Monday and upon notification of any new cases.

Please continue to visit our Caremerge website for the most recent COVID updates: bit.ly/fsochaumburg.

For any questions or concerns, please contact us at 847-884-5490.

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Administrator