

Landis Homes Announcement May 24, 2020

Landis Homes remains committed to the health and safety of our residents, team members and the community we serve. We have followed and will continue to follow, the guidance set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to minimize the risk of Coronavirus transmission within our community.

May 23, 2020 we learned a team member in our Healthcare Center tested positive for COVID-19. The team member last worked on May 20, 2020 and was not symptomatic while working. Like all team members working in Healthcare, this team member went through a screening process, including having their temperature taken, before and after their shift, in accordance with PA DOH guidelines. S/he also followed guidelines for use of personal protective equipment while working.

Landis Homes notified the DOH on May 23. They validated that the precautions currently in place remain appropriate and the risk of transmission to others is low. At this time, the DOH is not recommending the implementation of additional precautions.

Landis Homes is committed to being transparent in keeping residents, families, team members and our community aware of changes related to COVID-19. We want to reassure everyone that we are acting on this fluid situation. The impacted team member is currently self-quarantined at home until s/he is cleared to return to work. Landis Homes will remain vigilant in monitoring Healthcare residents at a minimum of twice daily.

Current mitigating action to prevent or reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission include, but are not limited to:

- Visitors restricted to essential personnel or services and compassionate care visits, after symptom screening and required education
- Symptom screening for team members before and after assigned shift
- Universal masking for all team members and use of personal protective equipment (PPE), including eye protection with each resident encounter
- Active symptom screening for all residents, masking when in the presence of others, as tolerated, limited movement outside houses or rooms to essential activities only, and modified dining and life enrichment programs to eliminate group gatherings
- Residents are admitted or readmitted to a designated area, staffed by designated team members, for a minimum of 14 days of monitoring including transmission-based precautions.



Please know that the health and safety of our residents and team members is our primary concern. We are blessed by the support and encouragement of the residents and family members, board members and supporters who are part of the Landis Homes family.

Check the Landis Home website for regular COVID-19 updates. Family and friends have access to videos and written information at www.landishomes.org/COVID

Residents and family members may contact Jenny Sheckells with questions or concerns at jsheckells@landis.org or 717.381.3573.

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