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Calvary Homes continues to be committed to the health and safety of our residents and team members. We continue to follow the guidance set forth by Pennsylvania Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in an effort to mitigate risk of COVID-19 transmission within our community. Calvary Homes is dedicated to being transparent and communicative with residents, families, employees, and our community about changes regarding COVID-19.

On April 28, 2021, the Pennsylvania Department of Health [DOH] released guidance related to routine COVID-19 testing and vaccination status. Specifically, the guidance states, *It is recommended that fully vaccinated people with no COVID-19-like symptoms and no known exposure should be exempt from routine screening testing programs, if feasible.*"

In light of this new guidance, effective May 11, 2021 Calvary Homes' staff who are fully vaccinated will no longer be required to complete routine COVID-19 testing. Fully vaccinated is defined as equal or greater than 2 weeks following the receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or equal or greater than 2 weeks following receipt of one dose in a single-dose vaccine.

The process for outbreak testing will remain the same, regardless of vaccination status. In the event of COVID-19 outbreak, all staff working in the area the outbreak has occurred will be COVID-19 tested per guidelines.

While Calvary Homes encourages the COVID-19 vaccine for all team members, it is not mandatory as we believe this is a personal decision.

*Confirmed COVID-19 infection among Personal Care **residents**:*

Dates	Number of Confirmed Infections
June 1, 2021-July 6, 2021	0
Total (January 1, 2020 – present)	2
Deaths	0

*Confirmed COVID-19 infection among Personal Care **employees**:*

Dates	Number of Confirmed Infections
June 1, 2021-July 6, 2021	0
Total (January 1, 2020 – present)	13

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/end-of-life visitation after successful symptom screening completed and required education provided.
- Symptom screening for team members before and end of scheduled shift
- Universal masking for all employees and use of personal protective equipment (PPE), including eye protection with each resident encounter
- Employees are social distancing and performing frequent hand hygiene
- Residents are social distancing and are assisted with performing frequent hand hygiene
- Active symptoms screening for all residents, masking when in the presence of others or when receiving care (as tolerated), limited movement outside of their rooms, and modified dining and Life Enrichment programs to eliminate group gatherings
- Residents admitted from the hospital or other levels of care admit to a designated area and are on contact & droplet precautions x 14 days.
- Implementation of universal COVID-19 screening testing for residents and employees
- Implementation of red, yellow, and green zones for cohorting residents.

Please know that the health and safety of our residents, employees, and community is our primary concern. We are grateful and blessed by the support and encouragement of the residents, their families, and this wonderful community we are able to serve.

Please check out the Calvary Homes website for up-to-date COVID-19 updates at:
www.calvaryhomes.org

If you have clinical questions or concerns, please contact Tess Picarelli at
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