

Date: Friday, April 3, 2020

To: All Residents and Team Members

From: Melissa Fortner, Executive Director

Subject: Coronavirus Exposure



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This morning, April 3, 2020, we learned that an Independent Living resident at The Village at Orchard Ridge has tested positive for the coronavirus. Resident safety and well-being are our top priority. We are doing everything we can to ensure we stop the spread of the virus within Orchard Ridge, including staying in very close communication with local and state health officials to ensure we are taking all the appropriate steps.

To protect this resident's privacy, we are not sharing their name or location of residence. We can share that this resident, following Orchard Ridge protocols for Independent Living residents, has been in self-quarantine since March 17. This resident presented with symptoms and was tested on March 28, and the positive test result returned today. This resident remains in self-quarantine and reports that they are currently doing well. They will continue with quarantine measures, following protocols from Orchard Ridge and the resident's primary care physician. Our prayers are with this resident for a continued strong recovery.

Additionally, in reviewing team member service logs, records do not indicate that any of our team members have had direct with this resident while in self-quarantine. Per CDC guidelines for indirect exposure to the virus, self-quarantining for others in the community is not required or necessary.

The Village at Orchard Ridge will continue to follow all current protocols in place, including our Stay at Home guidelines, as directed from Governor Northam:

1. **Stay at Home** – for all Virginians to stay at their place of residence, exceptions include obtaining food, beverages, supplies and seeking medical attention.
2. **Older Persons & the immunocompromised** – stay at home, have others/other services bring supplies to you. Minimize your contact with others. You are able to go outside for exercise while maintaining the six-foot social distancing order.
3. **Quarantine** – those who have traveled or have just experienced a hospital stay. We are requiring these residents to separate themselves by staying in their apartment or cottage for a 14 day period. Meals and mail are delivered by staff.

As always, we will keep you informed of any updates as we continue to navigate the unprecedented times of the coronavirus. We remain grateful for your patience, support, and observance of all efforts that are helping us minimize exposure in our Orchard Ridge community.

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