

## **Isolation & Quarantine Guidelines**

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## **Isolation:**

- <u>Definition</u>: Isolation keeps people who are already sick and infected with a contagious illness away from those who are not infected to keep the disease from spreading
- Orchard Ridge **Isolation** Guidelines:
  - o Residents who have the COVID-19 virus are required to self-isolate in their apartment or cottage
    - Residents who tested positive and never developed symptoms can return to personal activity after 10 days
    - Residents who tested positive with mild to moderate symptoms can return to personal activity if:
      - At least 10 days have passed since symptom onset and
      - At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and**
      - Other symptoms have improved
  - During isolation, residents are not to come out of their apartment or cottage; meal and mail
    delivery, as well as garbage removal will be coordinated through the various departments that
    provide these services; detailed information about how to access these services will be provided
    to the resident at the beginning of the isolation period
    - Transportation Services of Orchard Ridge will not provide any transports to residents in isolation; if there is a medical emergency during the isolation period and need for a transport, an outside transportation service must be used
    - Caregiver agencies are permitted to provide services for residents in isolation using proper personal protective equipment (PPE)
    - Team members will only enter apartments or cottages for emergency-related services while resident is in isolation; proper PPE required
    - Family members are permitted entry into an apartment or cottage during resident isolation only in end-of-life situations or in rare occasions when deemed medically necessary by the Care Coordination Team; proper PPE required
    - Walking or outdoor activity is not permitted
  - o Following CDC guidelines, spouses, partners or housemates of residents who are on isolation are required to remain in their apartment or cottage for the 10-day isolation period of the isolated resident, and then either for an additional 14-day quarantine period (if the uninfected resident did not contract the virus), or for an additional 10 days from the onset of symptoms (if the resident did contract the virus)

## **Quarantine:**

• <u>Definition</u>: Quarantine separates and limits movement of people who may have or have been exposed to the disease to see if they become ill; this can help prevent the spread of illness from people with COVID-19 before they feel ill or have symptoms

## • Orchard Ridge Quarantine Guidelines:

- o Residents will be required to quarantine for the following reasons:
  - Spouse/partner/housemate in the same apartment or cottage is on isolation or quarantine
  - Winchester Medical Center, any hospital, urgent care facilities and emergency room visits or stays
  - Post travel internationally and for all domestic travel by air, bus, rail or water
  - Post travel to an area classified as red on the CMS Positivity Rates by County Chart
- Quarantine will last for 14 days and will be calculated from the last contact date with the
  potential virus; residents in quarantine should stay home, separate themselves from others,
  monitor their health and follow Orchard Ridge quarantine guidelines
- O During quarantine, residents **are not to come out of their apartment or cottage**; meal and mail delivery, as well as garbage removal will be coordinated through the various departments that provide these services; detailed information about how to access these services will be provided to the resident at the beginning of the isolation period
  - Orchard Ridge Transportation Services might be able to provide a non-emergency medically necessary transport, however, whether a transport occurs remains at the sole discretion of Transportation Services, and residents participating in a transport while on quarantine will need to follow additional precautionary measures as directed by the driver
  - Caregiver agencies are permitted to provide services for residents in isolation using proper personal protective equipment (PPE)
  - Team members will only enter apartments or cottages for emergency- related services while resident is in isolation; proper PPE required
  - Family members are permitted entry into an apartment or cottage during resident quarantine only in end-of-life situations or in rare occasions when deemed medically necessary by the Care Coordination Team; proper PPE required
  - Walking or outdoor activity is not permitted