## Resident Update



## **COVID-19 Testing:**

On 12/30/20, an Arbors Resident tested positive for COVID-19.

The resident and family have been notified, along with any other people in close personal contact. The resident will be following isolation precautions at home.

We await the results of Tuesday's staff weekly COVID-19 tests.

Please remember to be careful and vigilant with regard to COVID-19, keep masks over mouth and nose, and remain six feet apart from others.

Residents are welcome to sign up for COVID 19 testing which will be held on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms can be returned to the front desk.

## Vaccination:

As many of you know, residents of senior living facilities are recommended to receive COVID-19 vaccines. Making sure you get vaccinated early can help save your life and protect the lives of others, as seniors have the highest risk for infection and severe illness from COVID-19. We care about your health. Getting vaccinated is an important step to prevent getting sick with COVID-19 disease. To offer convenient access to the vaccine, we have partnered CVS with to provide on-site COVID-19 vaccination for residents and caregivers free of charge.

Our COVID Vaccine dates for residents and aides/caregivers are below (both dates must be attended to receive vaccination):

Thursday, January 14th

Thursday, February 4th

Location: Arbors of Hop Brook 403 West Center St., Manchester CT 06040

CVS has informed us that we will be receiving the Pfizer vaccine.

Required for participation: Registration will open on Monday, January 4th.

Persons wanting vaccination will be asked to complete a consent form. Similar to the flu vaccine process, the consent form can be completed by seeing Pat or Nancy in nursing. Please bring a copy of your Medicare and Pharmacy benefit card. Arbors nursing will contact resident family members if responsible for making health decisions on behalf of the resident.

We understand you may have questions about the vaccine. After getting vaccinated, you may have some side effects, which are normal signs that your body is building protection. The most common side effects are pain at the injection site, fever, and chills. These side effects tend to be mild to moderate and go away on their own within 1–2 days. We will work with you to report any health problems that occur after vaccination. We call these types of health problems possible side effects or adverse events.

COVID-19 vaccines are an important tool to help stop the pandemic. However, even after vaccination, everyone will need to continue following all the current guidance to protect themselves and others, including wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet away from others, following facility and community guidance on visitation and infection control, and cleaning hands often. Thank you again for all you are doing to stay safe.

## **Vaccine Teleconference Meeting:**

In addition to our regular 3 pm Town Hall, we will be holding a teleconference for any caregiver, family member or resident wanting more information about vaccination on Monday, January 5th at 4 pm. Please call in to learn more:

Call in: 1 (800) 434-5932 US Toll Free 8328 076 # Passcode for Participants

Thank You,

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