

May 5, 2020

## Dear Lorien Families:

As you know, Governor Hogan has ordered all Maryland nursing homes and assisted living communities to begin COVID-19 universal testing of all residents and all staff. We are still awaiting guidance about this testing and will update you when we know more. Remember, if your loved one has been affected directly by a positive COVID-19 case, you will be contacted immediately.

The Governor has also started to address a slow reopening of the state. Visitor restrictions will remain in effect until we hear further from the Maryland Department of Health (MDH). Again, we will contact you directly with any future changes. We know you are anxious to visit your loved ones.

Last week, MDH began publishing data on COVID-19 cases in nursing homes. The data is reported by county and also by facilities. It includes current, open positive cases for both residents and staff. Updates will be provided weekly on Wednesdays on the State of Maryland's website: <a href="https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/hcf-resources.">https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/hcf-resources.</a>

Since more information is now available to families from the state, Lorien will move to <u>weekly</u> <u>updates</u> on Thursdays at 8 p.m. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact our 24-hour Compliance Line by phone at 1-855-859-0809 or visit our website (www.lorienhealth.com).

In case you missed it this weekend, WJZ-TV featured Mary, our 102-year-old Harmony Hall resident. Mary proclaimed, "At 102 years old, this is my 2<sup>nd</sup> pandemic and I plan on beating this one too!" She has inspired us all.

Sincerely,

Lou Grimmel, Sr.

CEO, Lorien Health Services

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