



January 19, 2023

Dear Residents, Staff and Resident Representatives:

We continue to follow CDC guidelines and New Jersey Department of Health directives. All appropriate infection control measures continue to be taken, per CDC and NJ Department of Health guidelines. We continue to monitor all staff and residents for signs and symptoms of Covid-19 and practice infection control measures in all interactions.

Visitation is allowed; visitors must sign a form indicating that they are aware of the implications in regard to COVID and will follow Facility policies. Residents can request to go out on pass. This will be granted case to case but without overnight privileges. Residents are required to sign a document that agrees that they are aware of Facility policy and they will uphold the regulations while out on pass. Family representative that is taking the resident out must also sign the document.

We are having vaccination clinics as necessary, our next vaccine clinic will be on Tuesday, January 31, 2023. THE CDC IS ENCOURAGING EVERYONE TO GET THE NEW BIVALENT BOOSTER, WHICH IS THE CURRENT MOST EFFECTIVE BOOSTER, AGAINST THE COVID-19 VIRUS. The new bivalent boosters will again be administered. We will continue to give appropriate boosters to residents who consent, as per physician order, per CMS directives. We encourage all residents to get vaccinated. We have clinics every few weeks and as necessary, if a resident is interested in a vaccine or booster – please complete a form which is at the front desk.

Staff are required to follow the mandate regarding the Covid Vaccine. 100% of our staff have had at least one dose or granted a qualifying exemption. Those staff who have exemptions, or only completed one dose, must continue testing twice weekly, until two weeks after second dose.

We are resuming group activities, where we can socially distance. Fully vaccinated residents no longer have to wear masks or practice social distancing when gathering or eating with other vaccinated residents. Outside contractors, including barbers, who are vaccinated can come in to provide needed resident services.

All staff, visitors and contractors must be screened at the front desk for symptoms of Covid-19 prior to being allowed to enter. All staff, visitors and contractors must wear a face mask upon entry to the Facility.

You can obtain the latest updated information at any time by logging in to our website at: www.groveparkhc.com. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Michael Schlegel, Director of Nursing at 973-672-1700.