

## Coronavirus Response: UPDATE due to NEW GOVERNOR'S ORDER

The Governor has issued an executive order – following new guidance from the CDC – surrounding mask usage and social distancing **for fully vaccinated people outside of healthcare settings**. Read this information thoroughly to understand how this update applies to Carolina Village. Per the Governor's office, **the order is subject to change**.

## **HEALTHCARE AREAS (CARE CENTER & MEDICAL CENTER)**

- Healthcare settings, such as long-term care centers, are required to follow NCDHHS Guidance with respect to indoor face covering requirements and all other COVID-19 related restrictions and recommendations.
- Residents, staff, and visitors in our healthcare areas must still wear a face mask, social distance, and adhere to other Carolina Village COVID precautions and processes until further notice.

## **INDEPENDENT LIVING**

- Residents, staff, and visitors who are fully vaccinated may refrain from wearing a face mask in Carolina Village. Masks are still encouraged to fully protect yourself.
- Capacity restrictions will be lifted in common areas as of May 24.
- The Dining Room will continue to have capacity and visitor restrictions until further notice.
- Carolina Village will not police mask usage on campus. It is a personal choice that each person must make for his or her own health.
- Any COVID activity on campus could immediately change this practice.

## **ALWAYS HERE FOR YOU**

- The Village task force will issue further communication next week regarding other campus changes. Please look for this information.
- Nothing prevents people from continuing to wear face coverings, which are recommended for unvaccinated people and for all people in large venues.
- Because COVID has not gone away, it remains imperative that all campus members continue to:
  - Inform ILS (residents) or your supervisor (staff) IMMEDIATELY if you are sick, being tested for COVID-19, have been in direct contact with someone being tested, or think you have been exposed to someone infected with the virus.
  - Practice routine and vigorous hand-washing;
  - Stay abreast of campus updates by tuning in to campus channel 56, monitoring the Hub's "Coronavirus Preparedness" module, and/or visiting <u>www.carolinavillage.com/news/coronavirus-</u> <u>preparedness</u>.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation.