

**TO: Family/Friends/Visitors of Cathedral Square Assisted Living and Memory Care at Allen Brook Residents  
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In response to the confirmation of Vermont's first official case of the coronavirus/COVID-19, we at Cathedral Square would like to communicate the steps that Cathedral Square will be taking to protect our residents.

Cathedral Square has been consulting the Vermont Department of Health and the Department of Aging and Independent Living to ensure that we are following all suggested protocols for prevention of the spread of coronavirus/COVID-19 in our communities. Nationally, recommendations for diligent hand washing and social distancing have been highly encouraged and we are acting on both of these recommendations.

At this time, the following screening questions provided by the Department of Health and are being implemented at all Cathedral Square communities and ***anyone answering yes is being asked NOT to enter the community:***

**In the past 14 days...**

- Have you had contact with a person who is infected with *novel coronavirus/COVID-19*?
- Have been in China, Italy, South Korea, Iran or Japan or in any area where cases of *novel coronavirus/COVID-19* have been reported?
- Have you had contact with anyone who has been to any of these countries in the past 14 days?
- Have you been to a health-care clinic, hospital or other facility where people infected with *novel coronavirus/COVID-19* are treated?

**In the past few days...**

- Have you had a cough, fever, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing?

Due to the significantly increased risk to seniors and those with compromised immune systems and cardiovascular diseases, we are taking additional precautions in our Assisted Living communities at Cathedral Square Senior Living and Memory Care at Allen Brook.

**At this time, we are asking that all visitors refrain from visiting our Assisted Living communities and potentially exposing the coronavirus/COVID-19 to our residents.**

We will continue to screen staff and health care providers who are essential to providing daily care and meals to our residents. We will continue to encourage hand washing and monitoring of symptoms among residents. Any residents who exhibits symptoms of coronavirus/COVID-19 (fever, cough, difficulty breathing) will be asked to remain in the apartment and their primary care provider will be notified immediately.

Staff will be available around the clock to provide updates concerning residents to appropriate contacts.

At this time, we will be prohibiting Independent Living residents at Cathedral Square Senior Living from traveling through Assisted Living floors, and participating in Assisted Living meals and activities. We will continue to provide Assisted Living residents with congregate meals and select activities appropriate with cautionary measures until the risk of these types of interactions changes.

The situation around the coronavirus in Vermont is changing daily. We will continue to reevaluate and adapt to new protocols and recommendations. We will do our best to communicate these changes in a timely manner.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.