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To: All Residents and Staff

From: Al Allison, President & CEO



Subject: COVID-19 Update

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Baptist Homes Society continues our ongoing battle with the COVID-19 virus. We have had no new cases of COVID-19 among residents or staff since our last weekly update on May 8, 2020. We have had no newly diagnosed cases among our residents since April 16, 2020, and no new cases among our staff since April 22, 2020. There are currently no residents or staff members who are symptomatic for COVID-19 on either of our campuses.

While Allegheny County has been moved from “COVID Condition Red” to “COVID Condition Yellow,” it does not mean that the threat of the COVID-19 virus is gone. Baptist Homes Society still remains under the government’s order to restrict visitation in all of our healthcare areas except in end-of-life circumstances, and to discourage all but essential visitation in independent living.

In anticipation of the move to “COVID Condition Yellow,” Dr. Debra Bogen, the Director of the Allegheny County Health Department, had announced that physical distancing, public mask wearing, and constant handwashing will still be required for the foreseeable future as the restrictions are lifted. By the grace of God, we have done well in our battle against COVID-19. Now we must all continue to be diligent in our efforts to keep ourselves, our families, and the residents we serve free from the COVID-19 virus. As a reminder, each of us should continue, both on-the-job and, equally as critical, in the community, to:

- Wear masks while at work and when in public areas in the community,
- Practice social distancing of 6 feet or more,
- Continue to observe appropriate cough and sneeze etiquette,
- Continue to wash hands frequently for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, and
- Use hand sanitizer frequently when hand washing is not practicable.

Thank you for your continued understanding, cooperation, and compliance with all of the measures that are in place due to COVID-19.

Please continue to keep Baptist Homes Society, our residents, and our staff in your prayers.

God bless you.