



STEIN ASSISTED LIVING

at the Wilf Campus for Senior Living

Stein Assisted Living COVID-19 Outbreak Response Plan

Stein Assisted Living at the Wilf Campus for Senior Living is committed to the safety and well-being of our residents, patients, clients and staff. Recognizing the importance of outbreak preparation, we have implemented the following Outbreak Response Plan should a COVID-19 or any other infectious outbreak occur in our community. This plan, as always, is in accordance with New Jersey Department of Health and Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines.

COMMUNICATION AND TRANSPARENCY

Stein Assisted Living is committed to clear and open communication with our residents and their families, as well as with regulatory agencies. Our communication policy includes the following:

Regulatory Agencies:

- Stein Assisted Living electronically reports the following information on an ongoing basis:
 - The number of currently positive or suspected COVID-19 residents and/or staff members.
 - The number of positive or suspected COVID-19 related deaths among residents and staff.
 - Status of PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and hand hygiene supplies.
 - Current census
 - Access to COVID-19 testing in the facility.
 - Staffing shortage
 - Additional information as needed or as identified in future directives.

Residents and Families

- Stein Assisted Living will notify residents and their families by the next calendar day of any of the following occurrences:
 - A confirmed COVID-19 infection amongst residents and staff members.
 - Three or more cases or residents and staff with new onset of respiratory symptoms occurring within 72 hours of each other.
- Communication will be made by the Executive Director or their designee via email.
 - Communication will not include any personally identifiable information as required by HIPAA and privacy regulations.



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- Communication will include the number of confirmed cases.
- Communication will include any steps implemented to prevent or reduce the risk of transmission.
- Communication will detail any changes to normal operations in the facility (e.g. dining protocols, visitation procedures, communal gatherings, transportation procedures).
- Stein Assisted Living will display a phone number for urgent calls on its website (www.wilfcampus.org) and will communicate this number to families in all communications.
- Stein Assisted Living will provide communication to residents and families monthly, or sooner, especially in the event of any changes to normal operations or outbreaks in the community.
- Communication will be made in one or more of the following ways:
 - Email or written letters to Stein Assisted Living listserv.
 - The Executive Director will notify residents and families of options for virtual meetings and of the process to schedule a virtual meeting.
 - The Executive Director will be available for phone conferences and will notify residents and families of the process to schedule a phone conference.
 - The Stein Assisted Living/Wilf Campus website will be updated about COVID-19 related information on a regular basis.

SCREENING AND TESTING

- All staff must undergo screening prior to beginning their shift. Screening includes temperature check and health screening questionnaire using the Accushield Sign-in Kiosk.
- All visitors, contractors, medical staff and other essential and non-essential personnel must answer a health screening questionnaire prior to entering the building. Screening includes temperature check and symptom screening using the Accushield Sign-in Kiosk.
- Anyone who replies, “yes” to any of the health screening questions, or who demonstrates a fever of 99.4 or above, GI symptoms within the past 24-48 hours, cough, shortness of breath, loss of taste or smell or weakness and lethargy will not be permitted into the building.
- Masks are required at all times when in the building and when social distance cannot be maintained outside of the building.
- Stein Assisted Living will conduct weekly COVID-19 testing of all residents and facility staff.

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- Resident testing will be available to any resident who demonstrates COVID-19 symptoms, regardless of when the resident last tested for COVID-19.
- Staff members and residents who have previously tested positive will be re-tested after a period of 90 days, as recommended by the CDC, CMS and NJ DOH.
- Staff members who demonstrate a fever of 99.4 or above, GI symptoms within the past 24-48 hours, cough, shortness of breath or weakness and lethargy will be tested regardless of the interval between the most recent negative test. Those staff members will not be permitted to work during this time.
- All employees have signed an agreement to quarantine should they travel to a restricted area, or should they be hosting a person who has traveled to a restricted area under New Jersey's State quarantine guidelines.
- Residents or their family have the right to refuse testing and will be considered "Person Under Investigation" (PUI) and will be subject to isolation or quarantine.

ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE

- Any resident who is a "Person Under Investigation" or has tested positive for COVID-19 will be transferred to our isolation wing at Stein Assisted Living. All Stein Assisted Living infection control protocols will be followed.
- Residents who are in isolation will remain restricted for a 14-day symptom surveillance period.
- Residents in quarantine or isolation will remain in their apartments and/or isolation unit and all staff will be required to utilize appropriate PPE upon exit and entry to their apartment.
- Residents meeting symptom criteria will be evaluated by their physician to determine need for further evaluation and testing.
- Residents who test positive for COVID-19 or who are a "Person Under Investigation" will receive vital signs and will be monitored for any changes every 8 hours or sooner based on clinical assessment and symptoms.
- For most persons that test positive for COVID-19, isolation and precautions can generally be discontinued 10 days after symptom onset **AND resolution of fever for at least 24 hours, WITHOUT, the use of fever reducing medications and, with improvement of other symptoms.**



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NEW ADMISSIONS

When a prospective resident initiates the application process at Stein Assisted Living Residence, the following criteria must be met in order for an applicant to be approved:

The resident must:

- Test negative, prior to admission, for coronavirus (e.g. COVID-19) and be free of coronavirus-related symptoms for a minimum of 10 days prior to admission.
- Be admitted to the COVID-19 isolation unit at Stein Assisted Living if positive for coronavirus or exhibiting symptoms prior to admission
- Upon admission, isolate in his/her room for 10 days if coming from the community (home) or 72 hours if coming from a healthcare setting (e.g. hospital, SNF, rehab, etc.)
- In the case of admission from the community (home), be tested for coronavirus (e.g. COVID-19) a second time at the end of the 14-day isolation period
- Transfer to the COVID-19 isolation unit at Stein Assisted Living if found to be positive or exhibiting symptoms after admission

READMISSIONS

When an existing resident is ready to return to the community (from home, hospital, SNF, rehab, etc.), the following criteria must be met in order for the resident to return:

The resident must:

- Test negative, prior to admission, for coronavirus (e.g. COVID-19) and / or be free of coronavirus-related symptoms for a minimum of 10 days prior to admission **OR**
- Be re-admitted to the COVID-19 isolation unit at Stein Assisted Living if positive for coronavirus or exhibiting symptoms prior to re-admission
- Upon admission, isolate in his/her room for 10 days if coming from the community (home) or 72 hours if coming from a healthcare setting (e.g. hospital, SNF, rehab, etc.)
- In the case of re-admission from the community (home), be tested for coronavirus (e.g. COVID-19) a second time at the end of the 14-day isolation period
- Transfer to the COVID-19 isolation unit at Stein Assisted Living if found to be positive or if “under investigation” and/or exhibiting symptoms after re-admission.

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VISITATION

Stein Assisted Living has implemented the following screening and restriction requirements for all visitors, based on recommendations from the NJ DOH:

- No visitors are permitted in the facility except for end-of-life situations.
- Visitors will not be permitted into the building beyond the reception area and restrooms will not be available to visitors.
- All outdoor visits must be coordinated in advance with Stein Assisted Living, by calling 732-568-1155.
- Any resident who has tested positive for COVID-19 or who is suspected of having COVID-19 is excluded from outdoor visitation.
- All visits must take place in designated areas around the building. Social distancing (minimum of 6 feet) must be maintained at all times.
- Visitors are required to undergo COVID-19 screening upon arrival.
- Any changes to the visitation policy will be communicated by email to residents and families.
- A member of the staff will be present during all visits.
- Each resident is permitted a maximum of two visitors at any one time. Visits will be limited to 20 minutes.
- Residents and visitors/individuals must wear either a surgical mask or a N95/KN95 mask at all times. If you do not have a mask, one will be provided for you upon arrival.
- No physical contact between residents and individuals is permitted. This includes, but is not limited to, hugging, kissing, hand holding and all other forms of physical contact.
- Residents and visitors must sign an informed consent prior to the visit.
- Food is not permitted during the visit. Visitors may bring items for the resident but must leave the package with reception. Visitors may bring their own drinks but may not share them with the resident. Hydration will be provided for the residents by the facility.
- At the end of the visit, the resident will be transported back to his/her room by a staff member.
- Between visits, chairs, pens, doors, door handles, and all other equipment/devices utilized during the visit will be disinfected by staff members using disinfecting wipes.
- Visits may be cancelled because of inclement or unsafe weather conditions (e.g. high humidity/heat, poor air quality, etc.). In the event of a cancellation, residents and visitors will be notified by staff and will be permitted to reschedule the visit.

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- Any visitor diagnosed with COVID-19, under investigation for COVID-19, with a temperature above 99.4 degrees Fahrenheit, with chills, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, sore throat, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, or who traveled from a designated COVID-19 "hot spot" within the past 14 days will not be permitted to visit the resident.
- While inside visitation restrictions are in place, the community will continue to assist in connecting residents and families via phone calls and video-calling. iPads and sound-amplifying headphones are available to assist with these types of communications.
- Families and loved ones are invited to attend outdoor Shabbat services and discussion groups with residents, but will be required to follow the visitation protocols outlined above.

OUTSIDE TRIPS

- "Non-essential" outside trips are not advised.
- Wilf Transport will provide transportation to our residents to medically necessary appointments at no cost. One family member or loved one is welcome to accompany the resident to their appointment.
- While we cannot stop family members from transporting residents in their own car, we strongly recommend that residents be transported by Wilf Transport.
- If a family member chooses to transport the resident in their own vehicle to medically necessary appointments and/or outside activity, the resident will be required to quarantine for 10 days upon return to their apartment.
- Please call 732-568-1155 to schedule transportation.