



January 28, 2021

Dear Residents & Family Members,

We are committed to keeping you well informed of updates and changes with the impact of COVID-19 on our Friends House community. Please see the chart below for our current numbers related to positive COVID-19 cases for both residents and staff. These numbers are reflective from the very start of the pandemic. Since the last update, we had one staff member test positive for COVID-19.

Vaccine update:

We completed our first vaccination clinic on January 18, 2021. When the day was over, 45 staff members who work on the health care units were vaccinated with the first dose of the Pfizer vaccine. We also vaccinated 42 of the residents who reside in the health care units with the first dose of the Pfizer Vaccine. These residents and staff members will receive their second dose of the vaccine on February 8, 2021.

On the February 8, 2021 clinic we will have 32 more employees receiving their first dose of vaccination and 13 additional residents registered to receive their first vaccination.

The vaccination is available at no cost to residents and staff. CVS will charge each individual's insurance plan for any clinic or vaccination administrative cost. These vaccinations are for residents who reside in the Health Care buildings and members of the Friends House staff.

More information about the vaccination will follow as we receive it. Please check the Friends House website often for updates.

If you would like to schedule a window visit, please call the front desk of Stabler Hall during regular business hours to schedule a time, or feel free to request a Skype or FaceTime call. The number is 301-924-7531. If you would like to schedule a window visit or FaceTime call for a resident who lives in Haviland Hall (Assisted Living), please call 301-924-7518.

The added cost of testing and additional personal protective equipment has placed a heavy burden on communities like Friends House. Some have asked how they can help. If you feel so inclined and would like to contribute to helping our team during this time of the coronavirus, please contact Anne Derby at 301-924-7510 or aderby@friendshouse.com, or go to this link: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/Giv3>.

Our latest results since the beginning of COVID-19 are: (As of January 27, 2021)

	#Positives	#Deaths	#Returned to Work	#Became Negative	#Still Positive
Healthcare Residents	31	6	N/A (not applicable)	25	0
Staff	39	0	36	N/A (not applicable)	3

We will update the COVID-19 section of our website as new information is available.

We appreciate your continued support and understanding. We continue to work with The Maryland Department of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and local health departments in monitoring the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus.

Please remember that the virus has not gone away, even after the initial rounds of the vaccination have been administered, so it is still important to remain vigilant and continue to wear masks, practice social distancing, and washing your hands.

Stay Safe,
Friends House Management