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Family Members,

Smiles are a little brighter around campus as residents are enjoying a few more freedoms in the Stage 2 process. Residents of basic care have taken their vehicles off campus for this first time since March, even a quick trip to a gas station was a welcomed liberty. Indoor, one on one visitation was also a new event this week. We have truly enjoyed witnessing residents reunite with their family members; the importance of relationships with family and friends has been strengthened through this pandemic.

Scheduled Visitations

Indoor visitations can take place in the facility with one visitor per resident at a time.

Outdoor visitations can take place with up to four guests

Schedule ALL visits with Case Managers in advance:

Case Managers can be reached Monday-Fridays from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

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Taking loved ones out

Call the nurses station to arrange this

B POD 701-683-6520

C POD 701-683-6570

D POD 701-683-6510

4th Testing Date Set

Our fourth round of group testing will be held on Wednesday, July 15th for residents and staff. Please note in order for us to keep moving forward with reopening, Ransom County must be identified as a low-risk level (blue) county on the statewide map [Active Cases of COVID Per Capita](#).

Safety Plan

We are doing what we can to limit the spread of COVID-19 within the North Dakota Veterans Home. By staying in close communication with local and state health officials we are taking the necessary steps to minimize COVID.

- Prior to June 12th, 2020, we have had two staff with confirmed cases of COVID-19. We are pleased to share that both staff members have recovered from COVID-19.
- On June 28th we tested 256 staff and residents, and all were negative.
- We have completed over 750 tests including three facility-wide testing's.

The North Dakota Veterans Home is staying in close communication with local and state health officials to ensure all the appropriate steps are being done. We continue to follow the guidance from the CDC and CMS to reduce the spread and impact of COVID-19, such as:

- Enhanced infection control precautions
- Screening residents, staff, and essential visitors for symptoms
- Following reopening phase guidelines for visitation and entry of people to the building
- Testing staff and residents for COVID-19 based on current protocols and availability of tests
- Following reopening phases guidelines for communal activities including social distancing and other infection control precautions
- Continuing to work through the re-opening phases.

Please feel free to reach out to us with questions regarding your family member. Our goal is to work with you and your loved one to get the visitation process back to normal. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

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