



UPDATE FOR MAPLEWOOD CARE SOCIETY

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

We are pleased to report that both Homes remain COVID free at this time. We continue to follow best practices of wearing PPE, hand hygiene, screening, enhanced cleaning, physical distancing and visiting protocols. As we are all aware, Fraser Health Region is experiencing a high number of COVID cases. We are working closely with Fraser Health and Public Health to support and educate our staff. We would like to acknowledge the great effort given by all our staff in these challenging times.

On Friday, November 6th, the PHO announced changes to the guidelines around wearing masks. Medical masks must be worn in all areas of our care homes unless eating and/or drinking. Visitors will now be provided with a medical mask to wear when entering the building, as cloth masks are no longer permitted.

Both Homes continue to support the many options that we can offer for visitations following the guidelines laid out by Dr. Bonnie Henry. Last week the office of the seniors' advocate released their report entitled "Staying Apart to Stay Safe: The impact of Visitor Restrictions on Long-term Care and Assisted Living Survey". The office of the Seniors' Advocate and the Public Health Office will be collaborating to further review the current visiting policies.

With Remembrance Day being observed on Wednesday, we would like to acknowledge and remember our veterans and those that served so bravely for our country. The service will be smaller this year and will look different, but the recreation teams at both homes have put together services to give the residents the opportunity for a moment of silence and thanks.

Work is underway on our winter newsletter. In it, we will share the great work and enriching activities that have been happening at Maplewood House and MSA Manor. Although this has been a challenging time for everyone, one of our main goals is to ensure that the Residents have joyful and meaningful activities to enrich their days.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Krista Homfeld, Director of Resident Services, at 604-870-7560.

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