

**Resident, Family, Friend and Responsible Party** **Newsletter – April ‘22**

Dear Strathmere Lodge residents, family members, friends/responsible parties:

1. **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic Update**



Here are the main points currently governing Visiting during the pandemic (subject to ongoing change):

1. Visitors are to be “fully vaccinated” (2 doses);
2. There is no limit to the number of visitors per resident, but only 4 visitors can visit a resident in their room at any one time;
3. Visitors can be five (5) years old or older;
4. Mask wearing remains mandatory at all times, even in resident rooms;
5. Those entering The Lodge are subject to on-site rapid antigen testing a maximum of twice weekly;
6. Residents may leave Lodge premises during the day for social absences; and
7. Overnight resident absences are permissible.

Please contact The Lodge with any questions regarding Visiting during the pandemic.

1. **Pharmacy Charges for Uninsured Pharmaceutical Products**



With the sale of “Medical Pharmacies” to “CareRx” in late 2021, you will find enclosed with this mailing two (2) pharmacy provider statements if there are resident charges for uninsured pharmaceuticals (i.e., medications not covered by the provincial drug benefit plan).

The statements are for your records and applicable income tax filing needs.

Please contact Augustine Caines, Office Supervisor, with any questions regarding the statements (email: acaines@middlesex.ca; phone: 519-245-2520, ext. 6246).

1. **Labelling of Residents’ Clothing**



This is a reminder that new clothing needs to be labelled with the resident’s name before a resident begins to wear it (this also includes items such as shoes/slippers and personal blankets/throws). Please ensure that you use the Clothing Bin near the main entrance to deposit clothing requiring labelling, after inventorying the clothing items on the form provided at the bin (further instructions are provided at the clothing bin).

For inquiries regarding missing clothing and the like, please contact John Fournier, Environmental Services Manager, at (519) 245-2520, ext. 6244 (or, via email: jfournier@middlesex.ca).

1. **In Conclusion ….**



Please let me know if you would like to see certain issues addressed in future newsletter editions (contact Brent Kerwin, Administrator, 519-245-2520, ext. 6222, or via

email at: bkerwin@middlesex.ca).

Please share a copy of this newsletter with other family members and friends, or direct them to our [web page](http://www.middlesex.ca/departments/long-term-care): <http://www.middlesex.ca/departments/long-term-care>.

Hardcopies of our newsletter are also maintained at our Public Information Board near Reception. Copies of older newsletter editions are compiled in binders at both our Reception desk and the staff lounge, and are available for your review.

**Brent Kerwin,**

Administrator

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