



## COVID-19 Update

September 11, 2020

On a difficult anniversary after a difficult week, what we most want everyone to remember today is to be kind to yourself and to one another. Please be patient as we all deal with stress and anxiety. We are bound to be at less than our best as we experience power outages and record heat and dark orange skies on top of ongoing concerns about COVID-19.

We want to offer our **reassurance** that Covia continues to be diligent in monitoring and responding to the circumstances that surround us. This week, Covia received a shipment of 50,000 N95 masks that will supply our communities for the months to come. In response to the Public Safety Power Shutoffs in Santa Rosa, Spring Lake Village was able to draw on emergency power to supply the administrative offices to the campus, reducing the need for emergency portable generators. Our Skilled Nursing Facilities are receiving new rapid test kits that we will begin using in the coming weeks as we receive further guidance from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and in compliance with our updated Infection Control policies.

We want to express our **gratitude**: first and foremost to the Covia team members who come to work each day and continue to provide excellent care in the midst of all of the crises that surround us. To our team: please also take care of yourselves and let us know how we can support you.

We are grateful to all of the firefighters working to contain the 29 major wildfires burning across California, and are grateful that our communities remain out of harm's way at this time. We are grateful that we have not had an outbreak of COVID-19 in any of our communities. We are grateful to everyone for working to keep our communities healthy through your safe practices – covering your nose and mouth, maintaining at least six feet of distance from others, washing your hands thoroughly and regularly, getting tested on an ongoing basis, and proactively getting your flu shot. We know this is not the life we would like to live. Thank you for taking those steps that will allow us eventually to contain this virus for everyone.

And we want to share our **appreciation** to everyone who is part of Covia for continuing to hang in there, to find creative ways to connect and share, and to persevere with fortitude and grace. Thank you.

As always, you can contact the COVID-19 Task Force at [C19info@covia.org](mailto:C19info@covia.org).