



COVID-19 Update

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This will be our final weekly update from the COVID-19 Task Force – at least for now. We're pleased to find ourselves in a good position. We have had no cases of COVID among our residents since January, and there are now no active cases among our employees either. Every community has completed all of their vaccine clinics, and we will continue to partner with Pharmerica to provide the Johnson & Johnson vaccine to new residents and employees as needed.

Each community is developing its own protocols for visitors and events based on guidance from the CDC, the Department of Social Services, and state and county Departments of Public Health.

And of course, things are changing for Covia overall as we work towards our affiliation with Front Porch. As a much larger organization, we will collaborate to develop a comprehensive response to COVID-19 and any other issues we may face.

Although our Task Force is taking a step back, we still encourage you to maintain the safety practices that have gotten us this far: despite more options to go out and connect with others, continue primarily to stay safer at home; when you do go out, wear a mask or face covering and maintain at least six feet of distance between yourself and others; wash your hands regularly; and monitor yourself for symptoms of COVID-19 and self-isolate and get tested if you do get symptoms.

Remember that even if you are vaccinated and don't get sick, you may still be able to spread COVID-19 to others. We want to keep other people safe and make sure there is no spring surge. As eager as we all are to get back to how things used to be, let's maintain a healthy level of caution as we work to get through the pandemic together.

We've all learned a lot from this process. The COVID-19 Task Force shared some of our *Workplace Lessons Learned During COVID-19* in an article for LeadingAge California: <http://engageheadlines.com/workplace-lessons-learned-during-covid-19/>. And on Monday, Amber Carroll, Director of Well Connected, presented for LeadingAge to non-profit leaders across the U.S. You can listen to it here: <https://bit.ly/3cmT6BI>

Although this is the last of our weekly updates, all of us at the COVID-19 Task Force will still be available at C19info@covia.org. Stay safe!

If you are celebrating in the coming week, chag Pesach sameach! A blessed Holy Week and happy Easter! We wish you all peace and joy.