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Dear Friends and Family of Trillium Communities,

While we still don't have an Order from Dr Bonnie Henry, the BC Ministry of Health has provided additional clarity around the requirement for visitors to be vaccinated.

The following is updated information we have as of today:

1. Effective tomorrow, October 12th, visitors to all Long-Term Care and Assisted Living homes in BC (this includes all Trillium Communities) must be at least partially vaccinated (have at least one dose of the Covid-19 vaccine) in order to visit and a mask must be worn for the duration of the visit.

2. Visitors who are not fully immunized (7 days post second dose of the Covid-19 vaccine) may enter the home after having a rapid Covid-19 test completed during the Visitor Screening process.

A) a negative test result means the visitor may enter the home and a mask must be worn for the duration of the visit.

B) a positive test result requires that the Visitor be turned away and directed to have a PCR/lab Covid-19 test (completed at a covid testing centre).

Please be aware that the Rapid COVID-19 test is self-performed (a swabbing of both nostrils) under the direction of a trained staff member, and can take up to 20 minutes to complete.

3. Fully immunized visitors are required to wear a mask in common areas of the home only - the mask may be removed when visiting with the resident in their private suite.

4. Effective November 30th, ALL visitors must be fully immunized - 7 days post dose 2 of the Covid-19 vaccine.

5. Children under 12 are exempted from the mandatory Covid-19 vaccination requirement at this time but are required to follow all other preventative measures.

I can certainly appreciate the challenge associated with changing/evolving information and how frustrating this is. We will continue to keep you informed as this situation evolves.

As always, do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Warm regards,

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