

October 7, 2021

Dear Friends and Families of Trillium Communities

Dr. Bonnie Henry has announced that effective **October 12, 2021**, all visitors to Long Term Care and Assisted Living homes in BC are required to be fully immunized against Covid-19. One is fully immunized 7 days post their 2<sup>nd</sup> dose.

For example, in order to visit on October 12, 2021, one must have had their 2<sup>nd</sup> dose on or before October 5<sup>th</sup>

While we have not yet received Dr Bonnie Henry's written Order, we are sharing this new directive now so as to provide you with as much notice as possible. This mandate applies to all Trillium Communities homes as we have either Assisted Living or Long-Term Care residents in each of our properties. Therefore, please be advised that proof of vaccination will be required to be shown to our Greeters during the screening process at every visit starting October 12, 2021, until further notice.

As we enter this season of influenza, residents in Long Term Care and Assisted Living will be offered the flu shot as well as a Covid-19 booster vaccination. These 2 vaccines will not necessarily be given at the same time as the flu vaccine is administered by our registered staff and the booster vaccine is administered by the Island Health or Fraser Health vaccination team. There is no requirement for these 2 vaccinations (flu and covid booster) to be administered "X" number of days apart so for some it may happen on the same day, for others it may happen several weeks apart.

Lastly, please be advised that our annual resident, family and staff feedback surveys have been distributed. We have sent them via email to those for whom we have an email address and hard copies with a stamped and addressed envelope are available for pick up in all our homes. Survey responses are 100% anonymous or you may identify yourself if you choose. **Your feedback is valuable, and I thank you in advance for taking a few moments to provide it to us.**

Despite the many challenges we have all faced in our personal and professional lives since the onset of this pandemic, not to mention the myriad of issues and pain our nation has faced this year, I maintain there is much to be grateful for this Thanksgiving weekend. To all our Trillium friends and families, my colleagues and community partners, I am grateful and humbled by the trust you have placed in us over this past year.

*Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow. – Melody Beattie*

Sincerely,

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Trillium Communities