

# COVID Safety at The Good Shepherd



**At LSS The Good Shepherd, the safety of our residents is top priority.**

That's why we've instituted all CDC and local health department guidelines, as well as gone beyond by investing in facility air filtration units.

The battle against COVID-19 requires vigilance on many fronts, and we maintain these protocols in efforts to keep our community members as safe as possible during the pandemic.

## COVID SAFETY PROTOCOLS

- A minimum of weekly testing for staff and symptomatic residents.
- All residents have daily wellness checks, including temperature and oxygen level checks, by our nursing staff.
- All staff wear masks, face shields and other appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) during resident care.
- All residents wear masks in common areas.
- Social distance is maintained during all activities and dining, including socially distanced assigned seating for each meal service.
- Consistent and frequent hand washing and sanitizing for staff and residents; hand sanitizing stations are located in each resident room and have been added throughout the building.
- Installation of ionization air filtration units that reduce airborne pathogens, including viruses, bacteria, mold and odors.
- Continual education for staff and residents on symptoms, proper protocol and social distancing guidelines.
- Staff enter and exit the building through two main entrances and have their temperature checked and logged before the start of their shift.
- Those who have tested positive and are exhibiting symptoms must isolate for 10 days. Those who have been in close contact with a positive individual must isolate for 14 days.
- New residents to the community are quarantined for 14 days and monitored daily by nursing staff.
- All common spaces and surfaces, including the reception desk, nurses' stations and family visitation area, are thoroughly cleaned and sanitized on a designated schedule and logged per state guidelines. This includes knobs, fixtures, elevators and elevator buttons, tables, chairs, countertops, pens and handrails.
- Dining room tables and chairs are disinfected between each resident seating and between meal services.
- Socially distanced and limited family visitation in accordance with Ohio Department of Health guidelines.
- Close and ongoing collaboration with the Ashland County Health Department and the Ohio Department of Health on adherence to safety procedures and other guidance.