

Goodwin House Public Statement | Sept. 11, 2020

Update | Goodwin House Infection Precaution Efforts

Below, please read a letter that we distributed via email to families and friends of Goodwin House Residents on Friday, September 11, 2020.

Nineteen years ago today, an event occurred that would have lasting impacts on our country and the world. Today, we took moments to remember and honor the innocent lives lost on September 11, 2001, as well the first responders who were there to help. Let us all remember that in the face of extreme difficulty, a sense of togetherness can make all the difference in finding our way through it.

GHBC Update for Visitors

We are delighted to report that residents of the Lavender Household (Health Care Center) may now receive visitors. Thank you for your patience and cooperation with our protocols.

Tracking Vaccine Progress

Many recent news articles have reported on the progress of COVID-19 vaccines now in clinical trials. The Goodwin House Infection Precaution and Planning (IPP) team is paying attention to these reports to help us develop a thoughtful vaccine protocol. While these vaccines are likely months away, Goodwin House wants to be prepared and ready to make a vaccine available to residents, members and staff when it is safe to do so. We will continue to monitor updates from federal health authorities and are in regular discussions with local health departments about their projections for vaccines and plans to roll them out locally once they are available.

Are You Ready for Flu Season?

As we prepare for flu season at Goodwin House, we anticipate receiving our stock of flu vaccines in early October. We will move quickly to set up the schedule for making these shots available to all residents and staff. Getting the flu shot is especially important this year, as medical experts expect a surge in both flu and COVID-19 cases in the fall. We strongly encourage that you make your own plans for getting a flu vaccine this year. Check local pharmacies and your primary care practice to see if they will offer flu shots.

*We are committed to keeping you, residents and staff healthy.
Please join us in our efforts to keep our community infection-free.*



Pup-pup Hurray!

Our pets make such wonderful companions. We find them especially important to us as we practice social distancing and spend more time at home with them. We are paw-ticularly delighted to share a few photos in this week's Resident Update of residents' canine pals, taken during a recent photoshoot at GHA. [Visit our Facebook page](#) to see a few more!

Thank You

We received several lovely thank you notes to share with our staff in celebration of Labor Day. Thank you for warming our hearts with your messages. If you would like to share a note of thanks with our staff, email your message.