

# Goodwin House Public Statement | Oct. 23, 2020

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## 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, October 23, 2020.*

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We lead our update this week with some sad news. This week, we lost a Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads resident and friend due to complications from COVID-19. We say all the time that Goodwin House is a family, so we feel each and every loss deeply. Our thoughts and prayers are with the resident's loved ones, and with the many residents and staff who have lost a friend.

## Updates on Campus Visits

**GHBC:** All residents in The Terrace have tested negative for COVID-19. We are still awaiting the test results for a few staff before we are able to lift restrictions. We hope to be able to welcome visits with residents of the Terrace and Assisted Living sometime next week. The Health Care Center remains closed to visitors at this time. We hope it won't be long before we can welcome visits with residents again. Independent (Residential) Living Residents may continue to visit with loved ones. Please schedule your visit at <https://www.goodwinhouse.org/campus-visits/#ghbc>

**GHA:** Following two new staff cases, Richmond Assisted Living and Rappahannock Small House (Health Care Center) are closed to visitors. We hope it won't be long before we can welcome visits with residents of these areas again. Residents in all other areas and levels of living may continue to receive visitors. Please schedule your visit at [www.goodwinhouse.org/campus-visits](http://www.goodwinhouse.org/campus-visits)

## Upcoming Discussion - Send Us Your Questions

During the week of November 9, we will share a pre-recorded discussion, "Fall and Winter Pandemic Updates and Planning" with residents. The video will feature Dr. Maggie Gloria, one of our Medical Directors, and Lindsay Hutter, Chief Strategy and Marketing Officer.

Dr. Gloria will provide a medical perspective on the current COVID-19 situation and discuss treatments, vaccines developments, infection precaution practices and guidance for the holiday season. Lindsay will provide an overview of our organizational infection precaution efforts and our plans as we continue to find ways to thrive through the pandemic.

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The discussion will be shown to residents on our internal TV channels. We will also share a YouTube link with Friends & Family.

We welcome your questions or comments in advance of this discussion. To help us ensure we address your questions and concerns, share your questions and feedback by November 3.

## **Dementia Caregiver Webinar**

It's not too late to sign up for tomorrow's Virtual Caregiver Bootcamp. Our very own Liz Pomerleau, Director of Clinical Pastoral Education, will speak in this extended webinar hosted by Insight Memory Care Center this Saturday. The Virtual Caregiver Bootcamp is designed for those who are caring for loved ones with dementia. Learn about the general stages of dementia, costs of long-term care and caregiving and how to stay connected with your loved one. The webinar will take place Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Learn more and sign up at <http://bit.ly/dementia-caregiver-bootcamp>.

## **Masks Aren't Just for Halloween Anymore!**

In this week's Resident Update, we reminded residents of our mask wearing policy. We ask that all residents wear a face mask when they are outside of their apartments and when they are not actively eating or drinking. Masks should completely cover their nose and mouth.

These are good reminders we can all use to keep ourselves and one another safe and healthy. Thank you for practicing proper mask wearing, and for encouraging your loved one to do the same!

## **Until Next Week**

We hope you continue to remain safe and healthy. Until next Friday, please know you can always reach us via email [communications@goodwinhouse.org](mailto:communications@goodwinhouse.org).

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