# **Goodwin House Public Statement | Nov. 13, 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, November 13, 2020.

Last week, we shared our Resident Protocols for Thanksgiving. As we have all experienced over the past nine months, the situation can change quickly. And as Goodwin House has demonstrated throughout the pandemic, we are committed to remaining vigilant and proactive in protecting the health of residents and staff.

We have been closely tracking the recent surges in COVID-19 cases, both locally and across the country. Under the current circumstances, we have adjusted the Resident Protocols for Thanksgiving. We are advising that all residents remain on campus this holiday. If residents leave campus, they must follow the updated protocols. Please consult this Addendum for protocols and additional guidance.

Staying committed to the health and safety of residents is easy. Making decisions we know are emotionally hard on everyone is difficult. Please know that we fully understand everyone's desires to be together during the holidays.

Please know that as the situation evolves, we will continue to assess and update protocols as necessary.

## Video Update on GHI COVID-19 Efforts

Goodwin House Chief Strategy & Marketing Officer Lindsay Hutter and Medical Director Dr. Maggie Gloria recently recorded an hour-long webinar on our COVID-19 efforts, an update on treatments and vaccines, and answers to questions submitted by residents and family members. Given that the COVID-19 situation is so fluid, residents are asked to stay current on new safety guidance and Thanksgiving protocols adopted by Goodwin House. This is very important with the national surge in COVID-19 cases.

We are broadcasting this video on our internal TV channel. Please encourage your loved ones to watch it. In next week's update, we will be sharing a YouTube link so friends and family can watch it, too.



### **Ventilation Q&A**

As we spend more time indoors, it's more important than ever that our buildings provide adequate ventilation to reduce the spread of COVID-19. In a Q&A [link] shared with residents today, we asked our Facilities Team Leaders Chris Floyd (GHBC), Amadu Kamara and Dave Baker (GHA) to share how new upgrades to our campus buildings' ventilation systems will help to keep all of us healthy as we spend more time indoors.

## **Honoring Our Veterans**

This week, we recognized Veterans Day at our communities. In this week's Resident Update, we shared details of events at both GHA and GHBC. You can also see some highlights on our Facebook page [https://www.facebook.com/goodwinhouseinc]

Thank you to all who have served our country!

#### Season of Gratitude

Thanksgiving is just two weeks away. As we look forward to our favorite food traditions, we also start to take stock in what makes us feel most thankful. If you have a note of thanks you wish to share with our staff, please send it to us. We would love to hear from you.

