



July 29, 2020

Dear Residents and Team Members,

On July 16th Governor Baker stated:

"The Lieutenant Governor and I are incredibly grateful for the role that the people of Massachusetts have played in containing the virus. And this is no time to let down our guard. It's very clear from the research and the data that face coverings are the most important and significant way to stop the spread.....The best and most important thing we can all do, here in the Commonwealth, is to continue to wear face coverings if you can't distance, to distance wherever you can, to be outdoors if you can be outdoors instead of indoors, to wash your hands, and practice safe hygiene and disinfect surfaces."

Yesterday, Governor Baker responded to a slight increase in cases here in Massachusetts. The percentage of positive tests increased from an average of 1.7% to an average of 1.9% over the past week. It appears at this time that the increases have more to do with clusters developing from gatherings, and people letting down their guard than from re-opening indoor dining.

That brings us to re-opening indoor dining at The Loomis Communities. As we mentioned a few weeks ago, the senior leadership team has been working to outline a plan to safely offer dining opportunities, along with other items that changed at the onset of the pandemic.

Our current plan is to open the dining rooms to residents only on or around August 31st. The dining services team is finalizing details that we will share with you as soon as possible. However, in general, due to limited capacity in each dining room, more than one seating will be needed and all residents may not be able to be accommodated. In addition, the current delivery program will continue. We understand that many residents do not feel comfortable returning to the dining room. You will have the option to continue to choose delivery. We will bring you more details soon but wanted to give you a rough time frame we are aiming for.

While the warm weather is still with us, residents need to continue hosting visitors outdoors only.

Please continue to be diligent in following the three key precautions: social distancing, wearing face coverings, and proper hand hygiene. It really is making a difference!

Thank you for all you have been doing to support our efforts during this challenging time.

With appreciation,

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