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COVID-19 Updates

We are vigilantly monitoring guidance from Public Health agencies regarding COVID-19 and updating our protocols accordingly.

From Public Health Seattle and [King County](#): *“State and local officials announced today new recommendations to King County residents aimed at reducing their risk of exposure to COVID-19. We understand these actions will have a tremendous impact on the lives of people in our community. We are making these recommendations in consultation with CDC based on the best information we have currently to protect the public’s health. This is a critical moment in the growing outbreak of COVID-19 in King County and these measures can potentially impact the spread of the disease.”*

It is our responsibility to leverage further Bayview-wide initiatives to ensure the health of our residents.

Effective immediately:

- We strongly discourage nonessential visitors from visiting our building including but not limited to instructors, entertainers, family and friends, volunteers, etc.
- We strongly discourage residents and guests from visiting Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation.
- Screening of all people entering the building with the following:
 - Do you have symptoms of illness or have been in close contact with someone with symptoms of illness, including fever, cough, and shortness of breath?
 - Have you recently visited or come into close contact with someone who has visited the Life Care Center of Kirkland or visited Evergreen Hospital in Kirkland within the last 14-days?
 - Have you recently visited or been in close contact with anyone diagnosed or treated with COVID-19?
 - Have you recently returned from travel to any country with a CDC-issued Level II or Level III travel advisory (China, South Korea, Italy, Iran, and Japan)?

If any of the above criteria apply, they will be required to postpone their visit.

- All van trips other than medical appointments are cancelled.
- No classes by outside instructors for Fitness, Resident Services, Pastoral services.

At this time, we are not prohibiting internal activities or congregate dining. Should guidance change, we will make necessary adjustments.

Thank you again for your continued patience and understanding as we work together in protecting the community. Please feel free to direct any questions to Joel Smith, Health Services Administrator (ext. 3357).

