

# FAMILY UPDATE



October 6, 2021

Happy Fall to you!

This wonderful warm weather has allowed residents to make more use of our outdoor courtyard and the new gazebos. Fresh air and sunshine are a wonderful prescription for us all!

## **3<sup>rd</sup> COVID-19 dose and flu shots**

As you may be aware, PCH residents have been approved for a 3<sup>RD</sup> dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. We will be able to administer it at the same time as the flu vaccine this year. Nurses have begun speaking to families and getting consent, and we hope to start immunizing by the end of October. Please speak to your health-care team if you have any questions.



## **Visitors with clients during activities**

I know it is hard to always visit in the room with your loved one, and we are pleased to now allow fully vaccinated family members to attend a group activity or church service with residents. This is possible so long as we can maintain room capacity and physical distancing from other residents.

## **PPE reminder**

It has been a long haul with wearing eye protection and masks, however we still need to wear them when inside MP. Some families have needed reminders, so we are reminding all family members they are required to wear all PPE while inside MP, including masks and eye protection.

## **Dentistry**

Prior to pandemic the University of Manitoba dentistry school offered dental work to residents, and we are still waiting to find out if that will resume. In the meantime, if your family member requires dental work, it may be a good idea to arrange external appointments as it seems we will be waiting for a decision.

## **Accreditation Canada survey visit**

During the week of September 27, the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority had multiple surveyors at MHC from Accreditation Canada. Misericordia Place was lucky to have a surveyor visit on September 30. She assessed our operations as they relate to patient safety and caregiving. The surveyor was impressed, even saying she would like to work at MP herself! We are grateful to all our staff who continue to provide excellent care to our residents as well as make MP a clean and safe environment. We will be receiving a full report in six to eight weeks.

## **How to receive a QR code and immunization card**

Go [here](#) to order immunization cards for you or your family members. The QR code is available for use immediately, while the card itself takes some time to arrive in the mail.

Yours sincerely,



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